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TANKS TAKE PART IN BIG DESERT BATTLE: WAVELL'S STRATEGY

(By "Reuter's" Chief Correspondent in Cairo)

CAIRO, JUNE 17.—ONE OF THE BIGGEST ENCOUNTERS WITH TANKS EVER SEEN TOOK PLACE ON SUNDAY ON THE ESCARPMENT NEAR HALFAYA (HELLFIRE) PASS ON THE EGYPTIAN-LIBYAN FRONTIER, ACCORDING TO REPORTS REACHING CAIRO TO-NIGHT.

RAISING CLOUDS OF SAND, THE TANKS AND OTHER ARMOURED FIGHTING VEHICLES CHARGED, ATTACKED, COUNTER-ATTACKED AND REFORMED IN SURPRISING MANOEUVRES.

British tanks made a wide sweeping movement south of Halfaya Pass, charged up the escarpment and debouched on the fighting ground in the triangle formed by Halfaya Pass, Sollum and Fort Capuzzo.

Reports of this operation, though it was of limited scope, have aroused great enthusiasm and excitement in Egypt because it shows firstly that General Sir Archibald Wavell, whose name has a magic ring for the Egyptians, is strong enough to conduct operations on two fronts simultaneously and secondly, that supplies and equipment, which have been steadily pouring in for months from Britain, America, India and Australia, must now be approaching a point of near adequacy.

At Fort Capuzzo

CAIRO, June 17 (UP).—General Headquarters announced that British troops have penetrated Libya as far as Fort Capuzzo.

Position At Capuzzo

CAIRO, June 17 (Reuter).—The fighting in the Sollum-Capuzzo-Halfaya triangle looks like developing into a regular battle. The British troops are driving back the Germans and Italians and have got as far as Capuzzo but not necessarily into it, according to military authorities here.

Germans and Italians are understood to be still at Sollum, but they TURN to Back Page, Column 5

Britain's New Warplane

Yesterday it was reported that a Catalina flying-boat, the latest giant American-made plane to be added to the R.A.F. Coastal Command, had successfully attacked four German planes, and damaged them so severely that they crashed later in Portugal. Here is a striking picture of the new Catalina flying plane, which will be used extensively in operations against U-boats.

Counter-Attacks By French, But Allies Progress Along The Coast

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

CAIRO, June 17 (UP).—To-day's General Headquarters communique states that French troops are making strong counter-attacks at Merj Ayoum and Kuneitra. "Allied reinforcements are now approaching both of these places and heavy fighting is continuing.

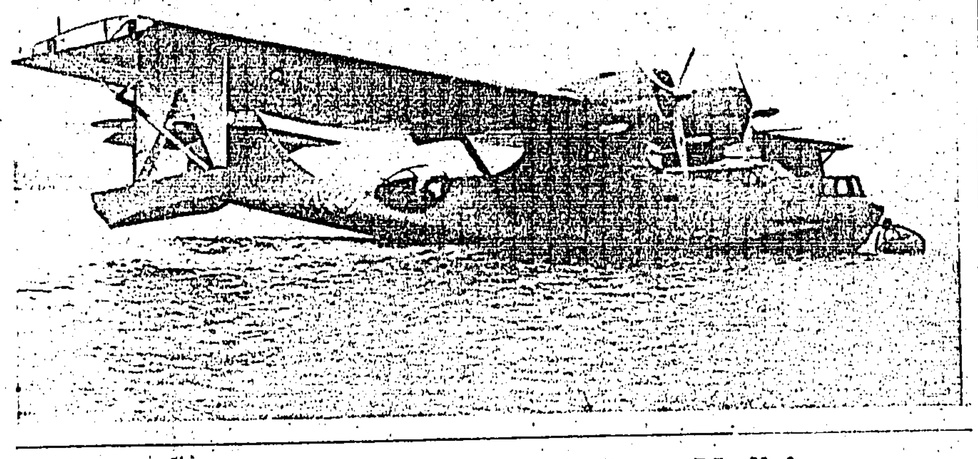
"The Allies are making steady progress in the coastal sector of Syria, and they captured several further positions in the Kiswe area."

Merj Ayoum Re-Taken

VICHY, June 17 (UP).—French troops in a counter-offensive have recaptured Merj Ayoum from the Australian troops.

Further Positions Captured

CAIRO, June 17 (Reuter).—Further Vichy positions have been captured south of Damascus, where TURN to Back Page, Column 3



Nazis Given Some Of Their Own Medicine

Industrial Towns on Rhine Take Tremendous Hammering

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, June 17 (UP).—Giving details of last night's operations, the Air Ministry stated to-day that many bombers had attacked Cologne, Dusseldorf and Duisberg even before the moon shone clearly.

"Soon, there were seen fires on both sides of the river, and one after another of the tall industrial buildings showed up in the glare of the flames."

The Air Ministry added that the ground defences steadily increased the tempo of their fire as the attack developed; "heavy and light flak burst about our aircraft while many searchlights—one observer alone counted 85 of them over Cologne—went into action.

"In spite of the defenders, our pilots got through to their targets."

One pilot, describing the fires at Dusseldorf said that he saw a sheet of flame, apparently a factory or a large warehouse ablaze. In the fires, flare and smoke it looked just like a river; for a moment I thought I was seeing two Rhines."

Over The Channel

LONDON, June 17 (Reuter).—Clouds of R.A.F. fighters carried out a spectacular offensive sweep over the Straits of Dover and the French coast to-night.

Several squadrons of fighters were engaged and for some time the Channel throbbed with the deep unbroken roar of powerful motors.

Moscow Calm, But Watchful

Alarmist Reports Not Confirmed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MOSCOW, June 17 (UP).—Alarmist foreign reports regarding the imminence of conflict between Germany and Russia are not supported by any external evidence in Moscow, which is probably the most calm European capital with none of the nervousness that is reflected in the dispatches from the Balkans, Scandinavia or the Near East.

Nor is there any reliable indication of a general or partial mobilisation. The streets, cafes, parks and crowds are normal in the number of young men of military age who would be ordinarily in uniform if hostilities were expected.

This does not mean that the Kremlin is not prepared for any eventuality, preparedness being the theme song in all public utterances. Stalin's warning to "maintain the State so mobilized, that no trick of a foreign foe catches us unawares" has become the classic keynote of all speeches and articles dealing with the international situation.

GERMANS TO RETALIATE

Action Against U. S. Property

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, June 17 (UP).—The official news agency reports that the German Government, in connection with the freezing of German assets in America, has ordered "necessary measures" regarding the property of United States citizens in Germany which will become effective immediately.

It has not yet been revealed what form these measures will take, authorised quarters leaving unanswered the numerous questions such as whether it means outright TURN to Back Page, Column 5

PROSPECT OF LONG WAR

WASHINGTON, June 17 (Reuter).—"You face the prospect of a long war," the United States Secretary for War, Colonel Henry L. Stimson, told the Committee of the House of Representatives to-day, indicating that the war might well last more than four years.

He said that one of the benefits of the proposed St Lawrence Seaway, which would take four years to build, would be protection afforded to part of the route for munitions to England.

Must Prepare

"In my opinion," he declared, "it is necessary to prepare for a very long emergency. We all hope that it will be brief, but it is not safe to act on such a hope in the situation as it confronts us to-day."

There is a very strong chance, he concluded, "of the emergency lasting long enough for the United States to benefit by this seaway."

Capt Roosevelt Rounding Globe

LISBON, June 17 (Reuter).—Captain James Roosevelt, eldest son of the United States President, arrived here to-day ten days behind his schedule on his way back to Washington after travelling 30,000 miles round the globe.

Looking bronze and fit, he told "Reuter": "I have got a pretty accurate general picture of the war situation. Air power is a tremendous if not a dominating factor in this war."

Help For China

Captain Roosevelt, who was unable to discuss military problems, said: "There is a great demand for American materials in the east and although many problems remain unsolved as yet, one can be reasonably satisfied with the material help getting through. Nowhere is help more greatly appreciated than in China where I was impressed by the cheerful confidence of the people."

Japanese Envoy To Britain

Conference In London

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LISBON, June 16 (Domei).—Mr Mamoru Shigemitsu, Japanese Ambassador to London, arrived here this afternoon from the British capital by plane en route to Tokyo. He is expected to leave here on June 25 following a short visit to Spain.

It is understood that the Japanese Ambassador will participate in a conference here with the Japanese Ambassadors and Ministers accredited to the capitals in Western Europe who will assemble to exchange views on the European situation. Those expected to be present include Mr Yakichiro Suma, Minister to Spain, Mr Sotomatsu Kato, Ambassador to Vichy, Mr Yauchi, Minister to Portugal, and Mr Ryushir Mitani, Minister to Switzerland.

Will Return To London

LONDON, June 17 (Reuter).—According to present arrangements, the Ambassador will return to his post in London when his conversations with the Japanese Foreign Minister, Mr Yosuke Matsuoka, have been completed.

The decision to go to Tokyo was taken when it proved impossible for Mr Shigemitsu to see Mr Matsuoka during the latter's visit this year to Moscow and Berlin.

The Ambassador is to fly across the Atlantic and America, and will complete his long journey by sea. He is accompanied by the First and Third Secretaries of the Japanese Embassy in London.

The First Secretary has been appointed to a post in South America and will proceed thither from New York. His place as First Secretary in London has been taken by Mr Ymada.

Aerial Activity In Syria, Libya

R.A.F. Operations

CAIRO, June 17 (Reuter).—A communique says:

"Cirenaica.—Aircraft of the Imperial air forces were continuously active throughout yesterday in support of the operations carried out by our ground forces. Numerous sorties were made by our fighters to drive off aircraft attempting to bomb and machine-gun our troops, and in many instances the enemy bombers were forced to jettison their bombs without attacking.

"In the course of combats, one Messerschmitt-109 was shot down and several other Messerschmitt-109 and-110's were severely damaged. One Heinkel was destroyed on the ground.

"During Sunday night, the harbour at Benghazi, several enemy aerodromes and concentrations of motor transports were heavily attacked. A number of fires were started in the harbour at Benghazi.

"At Bardia, aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm started large fires among enemy vehicles, a number of which were destroyed or damaged.

"Fires were also started on the landing at Derna, Martuba and Gazala, where bombs fell among the dispersed aircraft, many of which are believed to have been destroyed.

"Direct hits were made on military objectives at Bardia.

Syria

"Syria.—Aircraft of the R.A.F. and the Royal Australian Air Force continued to support the ground operations in Syria and to maintain patrols over the supportung units. Our bombers carried out a successful raid on Rayak, damaging the runway and aerodrome buildings and causing a large explosion.

"Australian aircraft machine-gunned and damaged a concentration of enemy mechanical transports near Quenleran.

"A number of Junkers 88's were intercepted off the coast by R.A.F. fighters on patrol over British ships, one of the enemy being shot down and a number of others damaged.

"From all these operations, nine of our aircraft are missing."

MENZIES ON MID EAST STRATEGY

CANBERRA, June 17 (Reuter).—Mr R. G. Menzies, the Australian Prime Minister, in a nation-wide broadcast reviewing the military position, said: "As Germany creeps along the European coast line, the voyage round the Cape supplying the Middle East becomes more tortuous and vulnerable.

"We must fight where and how the enemy compels us. We must stand and fight for the Middle East or else surrender the Mediterranean, extricate the Fleet, yield Iraq and Iran, open the gateway to India, expose French Africa to complete subjugation and make it easy for Spain to give bases in northwest Africa, thus adding a new and deadly menace to the Atlantic and to the whole contact of Britain with the Empire south and east of Suez.

"In the face of these perils, any limitation upon our efforts must go."

Eire's Food Supplies

Synthetic Flour Possible

DUBLIN, June 17 (Reuter).—Eire is experiencing a severe shortage of food for humans and animals, but supplies of flour and bread in the country will be adequate until the next harvest has arrived.

This was stated to-day in the Dail by the Minister of Supplies, Sean Lemass, who announced that it was not improbable that after the next harvest, a certain amount of other cereals may have to be used with wheat to ensure the nation's requirements of flour and bread.

Shipping difficulties would further increase if there was an extension of the war.

Nazi Bomber Which Crashed In Portugal

LISBON, June 17 (Reuter).—Portuguese officials who examined the wreckage of the plane which crashed in flames close to the Spanish frontier early on Sunday say that it was a four-engined German bomber, presumably returning from Gibraltar.

LATEST

Landslide At Conduit Rd.

The torrential rains early this morning was the cause of a severe landslide in Conduit Road at half past nine, when several large boulders weighing many tons hurtled down to the courtyard of No. 7a Conduit Road, the residence of the staff of the Japanese Consulate.

The boulders, which first crashed through a wall, damaged the west wing of the house, containing the servants' quarters. Fortunately however nobody was injured.

An ambulance, the fire brigade and members of the Emergency Police were dispatched to the scene while the rain was still teeming down.

After investigation it was decided not to attempt to clear the debris for the present as firstly, it is thought that further landslides there are likely, and secondly, in order to give the Japanese a chance of rescuing their papers and other personal effects.

Narrow Escape

A Japanese had a miraculous escape from serious injury if not death, it was revealed by servants at the house.

They stated that the Japanese, a member of the Consular staff, occupies the room which bore the brunt of the fall. Usually he does not leave the house until 10 a.m. but this morning he left much earlier, thus being away at the time of the fall.

Petain's Appeal

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

VICHY, June 17 (UP).—In a radio speech to-night on the occasion of the anniversary of his assumption of power in 1940, Marshal Petain warned against Communist propaganda, saying "this is no time to seek refuge in bitterness or to sink in dispair. You have not been sold out, betrayed or abandoned. Those who tell you that are throwing you into the arms of Communism. You are suffering and will suffer a long time still because we are not finished paying for our mistakes. Rally with me and we will come safely out of the darkness where we were plunged by our terrible adventure."

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British Labour Still Behind Mr Churchill

LONDON, June 17 (Reuter).—Support for continuation of the political party truce agreed to between the Conservative, Liberal and Labour Parties in Britain when Mr Winston Churchill became Premier was given to-day at the annual conference of the Amalgamated Engineering Union, whose membership of over 500,000 includes many of Britain's armament workers.

The Union's President, Mr Jack Tanner, said: "I do not see anyone who can get a greater majority of the people behind him than Mr Churchill. He is a man of outstanding character and can get the unity of the whole people of this country.

"The Labour Party is satisfied that the only way in which this war can be conducted under the present circumstances is by having this truce."

By 20 votes to 23, with one neutral, the conference defeated a resolution calling for the immediate repudiation of the political truce and of suspension of local and national elections.

The report of the Union's Executive Committee, which will be laid before the conference later this week, states: "Now is not the time for internecine conflicts. Our part is mainly to use all available powers on the munitions production field. We must continue the collaboration with the Government to this end."

Japanese Give Up N.E.I. Negotiations

TOKYO, June 17 (Reuter).—The Japanese delegates have decided to leave the Netherlands East Indies following the impasse in the economic talks, according to a Japanese telegram from Batavia.

Prior to this announcement, Mr Yoshizawa, head of the Japanese delegation, had a final interview with the Governor-General of the Netherlands East Indies.

The telegram adds that the delegation will leave Batavia for Japan on June 20.

The prominent newspaper "Hochi Shimbun," says that the Japanese Government should nevertheless continue to urge the East Indies to co-operate with Japan in building an "East Asia prosperity sphere."

Declaring that the Dutch Governor-General's speech to the People's Council on Monday indirectly implied that Japan was one of the colony's enemies, the "Hochi Shimbun" says that Japan must take this into consideration and take determined steps to make the East Indies realise Japan's ideal of a Greater East Asia.

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SUICIDE AND FIRE

Woman Drops Kerosene Lamp at Sight of Corpse

A serious fire was luckily averted at Nam Cheung Street, Shamshuipo, yesterday when a woman broke into a room to find her mother-in-law hanging and fainted from the shock, dropping a kerosene lamp on the wooden floor. The blaze, however, was quickly extinguished.

The mother-in-law, Kong Nuk-50, locked herself in her room about 5 p.m., giving the impression that she had gone out. Dinner time came and went and at 7.30 p.m. the family decided to try her room but found it locked.

Gaining entrance from the next door verandah, they broke open the door. The young daughter-in-law entered first with the lamp in her hand when a cry and a crash were heard and flames lept into the air as the kerosene caught fire. Most of the furniture was damaged before the fire was brought under control and then only did the family see the gruesome figure of the old woman hanging from a rope. She had been ill for about four months.

Dr L. D. Pringle, of the Medical Department, has returned to the Colony from Australia.

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4.—The right to publish any or all of the entries is reserved to the *Hongkong Telegraph*.

5.—All photographs entered must have been taken in the Colony of Hongkong. Photographs which have been already entered in other Competitions are ineligible.

6.—No responsibility will be accepted for non-delivery of, loss of, or damage to entries.

7.—All entries to be either black, sepia, or toned pictures, and must be mounted. Coloured photographs are ineligible.

8.—Pictures submitted in sepia tones should be accompanied by a smaller print in black and white.

9.—No picture to entered in more than one Section.

10.—Mounts to be only white or cream, must be of one of the following sizes:—10×12, 16×20.

11.—No correspondence will be entered into in connection with the Competition.

12.—Members of the Staffs of the *Hongkong Telegraph* and the *South China Morning Post* are not permitted to compete.

13.—The decision of the Judges shall be final.

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PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

PLANS FOR EXHIBITION

The annual meeting and dinner of the Photographic Society was held in the Peacock Lounge yesterday, Dr A. V. Greaves presiding.

Presenting the annual report, Mr R. A. Bates, Secretary, stated:

Membership has consistently numbered just over thirty; at the moment it stands at 35. A reduced entrance fee of $5 is now payable by members of the Forces, a second $5 being due if the Member is still with us at the end of two years.

The Council take pleasure in announcing Mr Francis Wu, A.R.P.S., as the winner of both the President's Award and the Craftsman's Award for 1940-1941.

The following Officers were elected:

Mr W. Clark A.R.P.S. (President); Mr R. A. Bates (Vice-President and Secretary); Mr H. A. McKay (Salon Secretary); Mr A. Brailsford (Treasurer); Mr Francis Wu, A.R.P.S., W. J. Richards, Dr A. V. Greaves (Committee).

PRICES OF FOOD, RICE FOR POOR

The following are the minutes of the sixth meeting of the Equitable Rice Sales Fund Committee, held at Medical Headquarters on Monday.

Present were the Rev. W. H. Alton, Mr E. L. Curtis, Mr Fung Chi-ying, Mr C. N. Li, Mr C. C. Liao, the Rev. E. Moreton, Mr Tsoi Fo-tin, Mr Wong Quincey, Mr Young Tsun Dart, the Rev. H. A. Wittenbach, with the Hon. Dr P. S. Selwyn-Clarke in the Chair.

A letter dated June 9, from the Kowloon Chinese Chamber of Commerce, was read in which the Chairman of that body stated that the Chamber had established the fact that the "black market" for rice had ceased in Kowloon City and that it did not, therefore, suggest the opening of a new depot there. The Chairman informed members that an independent check had been carried out by the Medical Department in Kowloon City and that twenty-two out of twenty-five rice retailers were selling rice in correct quantity and of satisfactory quality. The three offenders had been warned and had undertaken to mend their ways.

It was reported that two volunteers had been obtained from the University of Hongkong, in addition to one from the Maryknoll Mission at Stanley, for the Sai Ying Pun Rice Depot. The Committee decided not to proceed with the opening if the expectations of the Manager, Hongkong Government Rice Monopoly, regarding the universal control of rice sales were realised.

Sale Of Cooked Rice

It was stated that experiments in the use of oil fuel for cooking rice had not yet been finally perfected.

A letter from Mr C. P. Woo dated June 12 was read suggesting that the Committee might care to consider the sale of package-rice called *hoh yip faan* in a water-lily leaf at about 10 cents per package, instead of plain cooked rice, when the communal kitchen had been established.

After discussion it was agreed that efforts should be made to meet Mr Woo's suggestion by cooking rice in "cheung" or containers with a little "gung" to give flavour and increase the nourishing qualities.

Sale of Vegetables

The Chairman reported that a careful survey had been carried out with the help of the District Officer, North, in the Un Long and Kam Tin areas by two members of the Committee, Mr Curtis and Mr Li. These investigators had secured valuable data to support the proposals discussed at the fifth meeting to start a campaign for higher payments to the farmers for their vegetables and for lower prices to be charged to the actual consumer.

In the case of Pak Tsoi (white cabbage), the vegetable *laan* sold at $12 per picul and the stall-holder in Kowloon and Central Markets at $14 and $18 per picul to the consumer. But the farmer only received $3.50 per picul.

For Ung Tsoi (swamp cabbage) the *laan* sold at $6 and the market vendor at Kowloon Market at $8, whereas the farmer only obtained $1.35 per picul. Many other similar instances were given. It was decided to seek permission from the Hon. the Chairman of the Urban Council, to use five stalls in the Mong Kok Public Market for the sale to the public of vegetables brought in from the New Territories.

The transport charges on lorry loads of 40 piculs would amount to 40 cents per picul or $16 per load, and return trip with empty baskets.

Capital expenditure for baskets, scales, etc., was calculated to amount to about $800, and daily recurrent costs for personnel, food allowance and transport (but omitting payment to farmers), etc., about $50 with a considerable proportionate reduction for larger quantities. This would permit of vegetables being sold at a greatly reduced price and the farmers to benefit considerably financially.

The Rev. Mr Alton and Mr Young Tsun Dart informed the meeting that the *laans* had already heard of the Committee's proposals and had reduced the price of vegetables at any rate temporarily.

It was agreed that the Committee should cease to act as a wholesale buyer and a retailer immediately their objects were attained.

Income of Rice Retailer

At the request of the Committee, Mr C.C. Liao had investigated the income and expenditure of a small rice retailer's shop.

A retailer selling two kinds of rice at the prices formerly fixed by Government regulation for the two grades would receive $11,514.30 per month for 450 bags sold.

His expenses on rice, transport, rent, staff, lighting, etc., etc., would amount to $11,437.02. Hence, if the retailer was strictly honest with his customers and sold a better grade at 80 cents per picul and a poorer grade at 50 cents per picul over the price for which he paid for the rice, he would not—on the above calculations—make more than $76.92 nett profit.

The Committee unanimously decided to send the relevant figures to the Manager, Hongkong Rice Monopoly. Although very disturbed by the high price of Government rice, it was the general opinion that a reasonable margin should exist between purchase price from the Government and the selling price fixed by Government regulation.

Report of Director

The Director reported that 214 sacks (plus 112 lbs) of Grade A rice had been sold at the depots during the week ending June 13, and 124 sacks (plus 100 lbs) of Grade B.

Cash received amounted to $8,512.20 from 8,556 individual customers.

Expenditure on rice was $8,198.64, transport $27.50 and sundry expenses $1.70.

Mr Fung Chi-ming, Chairman of the Tung Wah Hospitals, had generously offered to meet the cost of the personnel at the Central Market Rice Depot, hence with the voluntary service of the Hongkong Red Swastika and the Senior Camp Overseer, Medical Department, and his refugee helpers there was now no expenditure on personnel. The surplus balance for the week ending June 13 was $284.11 plus a number of empty sacks which the Manager, Hongkong Government Rice Monopoly, had kindly agreed to purchase for 50 cents per bag.

Order of Controller of Food

The Chairman informed the meeting that the Controller of Food had published an Order in the *Government Gazette* of June 13, which established new retail prices for rice as from the June 16.

Grade A, containing not more than 25% broken rice, is to be sold at not more than $17 per picul.

Grade B, containing not more than 40% broken rice, is to be sold at not more than $16.20 per picul.

Grade C, containing between 50% and 60% broken rice, is to be sold at not more than $15.60 per picul.

Grade D (corresponding to former Grade B at the Committee's Rice Depots) is to be sold at not more than $15 per picul.

Grade E large broken rice is to be sold at not more than $14.60 per picul.

Grade F small broken rice is to be sold at not more than $14 per picul.

It was agreed to consult the Controller of Food immediately as to the correct price at which to sell the former Grade A and Grade B at the Committee's Rice Depots. It was pointed out that no more of the former Grade A rice appeared to be obtainable, and its replacement by a corresponding grade in the new scale appeared to be very desirable to cover the next two weeks while the Committee's Depots continued to function.

The meeting was adjourned until 3 p.m. on Monday, June 23

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary, issued yesterday, is:

Buyers

Bank of East Asia $71¼
H.K. Fire Ins. $176
Indo-Chinas (Pref) $80
H.K. Docks $15
Hotels $2.90
Realties $2.80
Macao Electrics $18.40
Entertainments $6¼

Sellers

Ropes $7½

Sales

Electrics Rts $11
Macao Electrics $18½

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The Salvation Army Headquarters gratefully acknowledge receipt of the following donations, which have been credited to the Annual Appeal for 1941:

Previously acknowledged, $10,000; Miss N. E. Elliott, $10; Messrs A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd, $25. Total to date, $10,035.

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The Salesian Fathers are deeply grateful for the following kind donations recently received:

H.K. Jockey Club, $1,000; H.K. Football Association, $200; Anonymous, $10.

Empire-wide Flag Day

The British War Organisation Fund wish to warmly thank all those who assisted on the Empire-Wide Flag Day held on June 9, and are especially grateful for the generosity of two anonymous donors who brought the amount collected to the figure of $5,000, which is being sent Home as the Colony's contribution.

A case of suicide by hanging occurred at the Argyle Street Internment Camp about 3 a.m. yesterday when Li Cheong, 30, Chinese soldier internee, was found hanging by a rope. He had been dead for some hours.

SIR GEOFFRY'S RESIGNATION

The announcement that the Governor of Hongkong, Sir Geoffry Northcote, is relinquishing his post owing to ill-health, and that his successor has been appointed, was made yesterday evening. A Government communique to the Press gave the following text of a telegram received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies:

"His Majesty the King has been pleased to appoint Sir Mark Aitchison Young, K.C.M.G., to be Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Hongkong in succession to Sir Geoffry Northcote, K.C.M.G., who is relinquishing his appointment for reasons of health."

His Excellency the Governor has recently been unable to attend a number of functions owing to indisposition, and was away from the Colony for an extended period last year, on sick leave.

Sir Geoffry Alexander Stafford Northcote was appointed Governor of Hongkong in January 1937, to succeed Sir Andrew Caldecott, who was appointed to Ceylon. Sir Geoffry arrived in the Colony on October 28 that year, with Lady Northcote, and they soon became popular with all communities, taking keen interest in public affairs, and lending their patronage and giving their support to social welfare and other work for the good of the Colony. In July 1938, His Excellency cemented good feeling with the Chinese community by an official visit to Canton, then under Chungking Government control, where he inspected the bombed areas; and in November that year paid an official visit to Macao.

It was in April last year that Sir Geoffry, suffering from an occlusion in the right leg, for which he was under treatment for some time, decided to return to England for special treatment. Originally, in March, it had been intended to go on brief furlough, by Imperial Airways plane, but eventually passage was booked by ship, and in May, His Excellency left the Colony with Lady Northcote, stopping over for some time at Ceylon. Sir Geoffry arrived in England in August, and after treatment his health greatly improved. Lady Northcote remained behind when His Excellency returned to Hongkong, arriving via the Cape, last March. There will be general regret that his health has not permitted him to remain here longer.

Sir Geoffry Northcote was born in 1881, and was educated at Blundell's School and Balliol, Oxford University, entering the Colonial Service in 1904, with an appointment as Assistant Collector, East African Protectorate. His service in East Africa extended over a long period, with promotion to District Commissioner and then Provincial Commissioner. After acting as Colonial Secretary on more than one occasion, he was transferred to Rhodesia in 1927, on appointment as Chief Secretary of that Colony, and in 1930 was appointed Colonial Secretary of the Gold Coast, acting as Governor on several occasions, until his appointment to be Governor of British Guiana in 1934. Sir Geoffry's next appointment was to the Governorship of Hongkong.

Made a C.M.G. in 1931, Sir Geoffry was knighted in 1935 when he was created a Knight Commander of the Order of St Michael and St George.

The New Governor

Sir Mark Aitchison Young is at present Governor of Tanganyika Territory. He was born in 1886 and is an Old Etonian, going from Eton to King's College, Cambridge. The son of a former Lieutenant-Governor of the Punjaub (the late Sir W. Mackworth Young), he also has two brothers who have distinguished themselves in the Colonial service, one being Sir Hubert Young, Governor of Trinidad and Tobago, and another having served in senior posts in the Indian Civil Service.

In 1909, Mr Mark Young, as he then was, entered the Ceylon Civil Service, joining up in 1915 shortly after the outbreak of the Great War, and serving in the army until general demobilisation. He returned after the war to Ceylon, and was made Principal Assistant Colonial Secretary of that Colony in 1923; being appointed in 1928 to be Colonial Secretary of Sierra Leone. In 1930 he was appointed to the post of Chief Secretary in Palestine, and attended the Permanent Mandates Commission at Geneva to take part in discussions for Palestine's future development. For these services he was awarded the C.M.G. in 1931.

Appointed in 1933 to be Governor of Barbados, Sir Mark Young received his knighthood (K.C.M.G.) the following year. In 1937 His Excellency had an unhappy experience, when thousands of negro workers assembled, demanding more pay. They then staged a demonstration, marching towards the Governor's residence. The Police were compelled to intervene, and rioting followed extending over 36 hours, in which six persons lost their life. A Committee of Inquiry subsequently found that the outbreak was primarily due to over-population of Barbados, with consequent economic distress, and emigration to other West Indian Islands was recommended. There was similar, but even graver trouble in Trinidad, and this led to the Governor of that island resigning; Sir Mark Young being appointed to administer the island until a new Governor was appointed. At the beginning of 1938 Sir Mark was made Governor of Tanganyika.

The Governor-designate of Hongkong has two sons and two daughters. Lady Young was formerly Miss Josephine Mary Price, daughter of the late Walter C. Price.

There were two calls on the Kowloon Fire Brigade yesterday but both were small fires and did not take more than a few minutes to extinguish.

RADIO

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Third Talk by Fr Ryan On "Some British Poets"

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12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 Variety.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Programme Summary.

1.02 Billy Mayerl (Piano) and Orchestra.

1.20 Duologues by Arthur Askey and Richard Murdoch.

Talking Shop (Askey and Murdoch); Blacking Out the Flat (Askey and Murdoch).

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 Compositions of Vaughan-Williams.

Is My Team Ploughing....Keith Falkner (Vocal) with Piano acc.; Fantasia on a Theme by Thomas Tallis....The B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra cond. by Sir Adrian Boult; Silent Noon.....Stuart Robertson (Baritone) with Piano acc.

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 Indian Pogramme.

6.45 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.47 Nat Shilkret and His Orchestra and Ina Suez (Soprano).

7.17 Violin Solos.

Serenade (Arensky); Intermezzo (Mascagni—from 'Cavalleria Rusticana')....Albert Sammons with Piano acc. by Gerald Moore; Zapateado, Op. 23 (Sarasate); Hungarian Dance No. 7 in A Major (Brahms-Joachim)....Yehudi Menuhin with Piano acc. by Marcel Gazelle.

7.30 Compositions of Purcell.

8.00 London Relay—The News.

8.15 London Relay—'Questions of the Hour'.

8.30 Mayerbeer—Ballet Suite "Les Patineurs".

Entre—Pas des Patineuses—Pas de Deux—Pas de Trois....Sadler's Wells Orchestra conducted by Constant Lambert.

8.40 Studio—"Some British Poets" No. 3: Burns.

Father T. Ryan, S.J.

9.00 Local Time Signal, Announcements and Programme Summary.

9.02 Music and Songs from the Films.

9.32 Light Orchestral Selections.

Spanish Fantasy (Molto)..Andres Molto and His Orchestra; Grand Viennese Opera Potpourri (arr. Robrecht)....Grand Symphony Orchestra.

9.45-10.00 News in French (on Short Wave only).

9.45 The Gay Nineties Singers.

10.00 London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

10.15 Dance Music.

11.00 London Relay—'Correspondence Column'.

Talk by Sidney Horniblow.

11.15 Close Down.

Shanghai Broadcast

Broadcasts dealing with conditions in Norway under the Nazis are included in talks delivered by Mr K. A. Persen, every Sunday at 9.30 p.m., Shanghai Daylight Saving Time, over Station X.M.H.A. at 445 Race Course Road, Shanghai. This is the same station from which Mr Caroll Alcott, the famous American news commentator, delivers his broadcasts.

The station is operating on a wavelength of 600 kilocycles or 500 metres and on a short-wave of 25.29 metres or 11860 kilocycles.

COMMUNIST DISPUTE

Request For Arms

Interesting documents relating to negotiations between the Kuomintang and the Chinese Communist Party for the period between June and November 1940, which clarify obscured points of the recent Chungking-Communist dispute, are contained in a pamphlet entitled "Why Friction?" It is published by the New China Information Committee, Chungking.

Among the more important Communist demands are those suggesting that the 18th Route Army (8th Route Army) be reorganised into three armies with three divisions to each Army, and the New Fourth Army (Communists) be enlarged to seven columns. In reply the Kuomintang proposes that the 18th Group Army be reorganised into three Armies with two divisions each and the New Fourth Army into two divisions of two brigades each.

To the Communist request that they should be allowed to issue their own local currency notes of small denominations, the Kuomintang orders that there should be no issue of local notes within the Communist administered area.

The Communist region comprises the following: The area on the Shensi-Kansu-Ninghsia border including Suiteh, Mitze, Wupao, Hsiasin, Tsingchien, Yenan, Yenchang, Yenchuan, Paoan, Anting, Antsin, Kanchuan, Fuhsien and a part of Tingpien and Tingpien Hsien (the city of Tingpien is not included; but the city of Chingpien is to be included); also Hosin, Hunnhsien and a part of Chingyang in Kansu.

The Communists complain that they have suffered from a serious shortage of munitions, hand-grenades, and medical supplies. It is stated that at one period the Communist troops had not received from the Government a single cartridge or a single roll of bandage for 14 months.

In their manifesto the 500,000 soldiers and officers of the 8th Route and the New Fourth Armies pledge their loyalty to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek but urge Chiang to dismiss all pro-Japanese elements among his subordinates.

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Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

INWARD AIR MAILS

Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 24th June.....July 1.

Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 8th July.....July 15.

OUTWARD AIR MAILS

Monday, June 23

Air Mail by Air to Rangoon to connect with the "British Overseas Airways."

K.P.O. and G.P.O.

Reg. .....June 23, 4 p.m.
Ord. .....June 23, 4.30 p.m.

Tuesday, July 1

Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A., and Europe via "Pan-American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services."

K.P.O.

Reg. .....July 1, Noon.
Ord. .....July 1, Noon.

G.P.O.

Reg. .....July 1, Noon.
Ord. .....July 1, 5.00 p.m.

Tuesday, July 15

Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services."

K.P.O.

Reg. .....July 15, 5 p.m.
Ord. .....July 15, 5.30 p.m.

G.P.O.

Reg. .....July 15, 5 p.m.
Ord. .....July 15, 7 p.m.

Aged Missionaries To Leave Japan

Tokyo, June 17.

After more than sixty years residing in Japan, Professor Charles Bishop and his wife will return to the United States by the Yamata Maru on June 21.

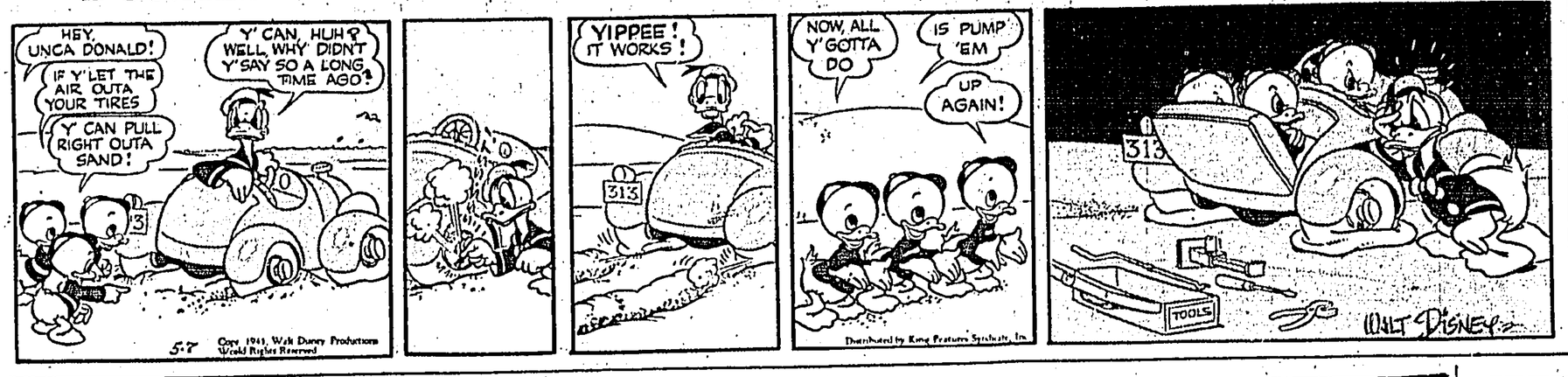
Professor Bishop, who is now 91 years old, has been associated with Methodist Mission work in Japan since 1879, lecturing in English Public Speaking at the Aoyama Gakuin which was a Methodist educational institution for over half a century. Dr Edwin Iglehart, who was also connected with the Aoyama Gakuin, will accompany the aged couple to Los Angeles where the latter will reside in a Home for retired people.

Professor Bishop came to Japan in 1879 and has been a prominent Methodist worker having been stationed as far south as Nagasaki and as far north as Sapporo. His diary, which has been kept studiously since the Civil War, is now deposited in the United States Library of Congress. His record of Meiji days is considered a historial treasure.

The aged couple's one son is associated with the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, while their daughter is living in London.—*Domei.*

DONALD DUCK

By Walt Disney



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CONTRACT BRIDGE — How to Play AND How to Win

BY JOSEPHINE CULBERTSON

Bad "Reverse" Bid

ALMOST everyone in this enlightened age knows about "reverse bidding." Hence, it is scarcely necessary to say that when you start out with one diamond (for example) and partner responds with one spade, you need a really good hand—substantially over a minimum to "reverse" and now bid two hearts.

North, in to-day's hand, made a bad reverse bid, and as a result a bad slam contract was reached.

Match-point duplicate.
Both sides vulnerable.
North dealer.

	♠ Q J 10 3 ♡ A K 9 6 4 2 ◇ — ♣ K 7 2	
♠ 8 7 ♡ Q 7 3 ◇ R 10 9 6 4 2 ♣ 10 5	N W E S	♠ A 9 6 4 2 ♡ 10 8 ◇ 8 7 ♣ J 8 6 3
	♠ K 5 ♡ J 6 ◇ A Q J 5 3 ♣ A Q 9 4	

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1 ♡	Pass	2 ◇	Pass
2 ♠	Pass	6 N T	Pass
Pass	Pass		

North's two spade bid was wrong on two separate counts. For one thing, it is almost always wise to rebid a six-card major suit before mentioning a four-card major; for another, the two spade bid was a "reverse," and North should have had about one more honour-trick to justify it.

South might well have gone a bit slower toward his slam, but in view of his excellent hand he cannot be blamed for feeling that, after North had reversed, there must be a splendid play for twelve tricks.

West opened a spade. East won and returned a diamond. Declarer finessed, and that was that!

As I have said, the contract was far from sound, but, as a matter of fact, it could have been made by proper play plus a good guess.

Declarer should have realised that East would not have returned a diamond if he had held the king. Dummy had no diamonds, hence East would scarcely give declarer a finesse that he could never take for himself. The proper play was to win East's diamond return with the ace and lead the heart jack through West. The latter would cover and the king would win. Now the success of the contract would depend extirely on declarer's guess of the next heart play. He could finesse against the ten in West's hand, or could play for the drop of the ten-spot from East. The latter plan would win, of course, and considering East's play of the eight-spot on the first heart lead, this would be the correct decision—unless East had false-carded.

To-morrow's Hand

Rubber bridge.
North-South vulnerable.
North dealer.

	♠ A K Q 6 4 ♡ A 8 2 ◇ 9 ♣ A K Q 5	
♠ J 10 9 5 ♡ 6 ◇ 10 4 3 2 ♣ J 10 9 3	N W E S	♠ 7 3 ♡ K 10 7 4 ◇ A K Q J 7 5 ♣ 8
	♠ 8 2 ♡ Q J 9 5 3 ◇ 8 6 ♣ 7 6 4 2	

How should this hand be bid?

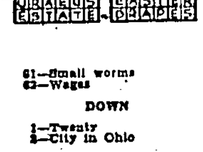
Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

1—Backless chairs
7—Do without
12—Wind instrument
13—Stringed instruments
14—Swedish name
15—Checking device
17—To wit
18—Concerning
19—Grand lady
20—Painful
22—Icelandic epic
24—Droops
27—Venerable (abbr.)
28—Grain (pl.)
30—Meadow
31—Exist
32—Back of neck
34—Issue forth
36—Nervous twitching
38—Is (Latin)
40—Pre-college school (col.)
42—Short song
43—Far down
45—Port at mouth of Red Sea
47—Carve
49—Hold back
51—Engineer's degree
52—Hawaiian bird
53—Pressed
56—Prefix: before
57—Fashions
59—Sow again

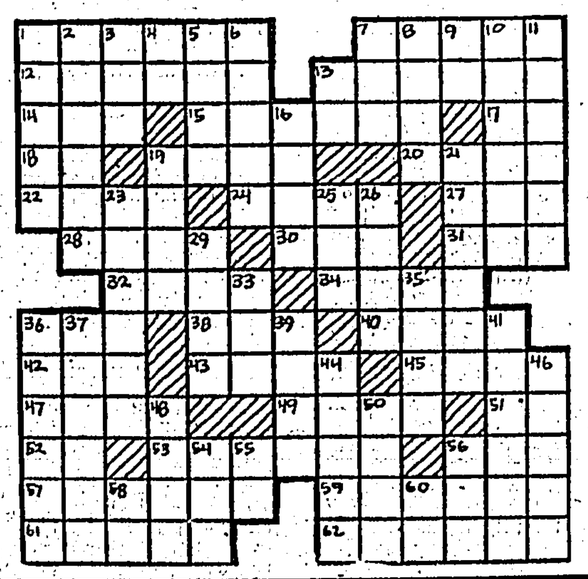
ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE



61—Small worms
62—Wages

DOWN

1—Twenty
2—City in Ohio
3—Unworked metal
4—Without stopping
5—Girl who loved a swan
6—Parts of plants
7—Transgression
8—Strikes lightly
9—One
10—One who shouts
11—Ascetic Jewish sect
13—Hebrew letter
16—River duck
19—Facts
21—Greeted with applause
23—Hops
25—To the right
26—Hulled corn
29—Hurried
31—Compass point
35—Persia
36—Knobby
37—Imbeciles
39—Sea bird
41—One who stares
44—Equals
46—In want
48—Baked clay
50—Mental image
54—Legal thing
55—Bone
56—Vegetable
58—Forked pipes
60—Without place (abbr.)



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Raff Slang

. . . . . by John Macadam

WHAT do you make of this?

"Chiefy, I expect a brown type, and don't take umbrage if he looks as if he has a lot of lakhs. We may have to give him charpoy, but it's all right with the flit commode, and he might have the pukka gen about that H.Q. flap. . . ."

Freely translated, that observation from one R.A.F. man to another would be: "Flight Sergeant, I expect an Army man, and don't be offended if he looks as if he has a lot of money. We may have to give him a bed, but it's all right with the flight commander, and he might have the real news about that headquarters panic."

Yes, these wars make words, The R.A.F. (Raff, if you please) are responsible for most of them. Young pilots never speak of Army men. They always speak of brown types. They themselves are always boys. The boy who sits around in the institute ogling the girls is a Canteen Cowboy or a NAAFI Romeo.

THEY are queerly respectful about their business. They never talk about flying, or use words like flip. Always it is a aviate.

And you never aviate a crate or a kite or any of these civilian slang words. You aviate an aircraft, a machine, or, more particularly, a Daffy (Defiant), a Wimpy (Wellington), a Hurrybox (Hurricane), a Spit (Spitfire), a Lizzie (Lysander), a Blenburger (Blenheim), Old Faithful (Anson), a Maggie (Miles Magister).

When you land, you hit the deck and, if you damage the plane in landing, you bend it. If you are tired of it all, you are browned off, and, to a lesser degree, a member of the Jabo Club. That means that you are Just About Browned Off.

The boys award their own crosses, in these three grades:

Wooden Cross—For bending one aircraft and staying alive.

Iron Cross—For bending two aircraft and staying alive.

Stone Cross—For bending three aircraft and not staying alive.

News is always gen, good or authentic news is pukka gen. The opposite is duff gen. If you have clearly understood your orders, you have them buttoned up. When you are all set to start you are teed up. You organise. You don't disapprove. You take a dim view.

HERE are some others:—

Snake Charmers—Band.

Spout—Gun barrel.

Pyrotechnic or rocket—A reprimand.

Prang—To damage an aircraft.

Ticketty Boo—Perfect.

Wad—A piece of NAAFI cake.

Groupie, Wingcom, Chiefy—group commander, wing-commander, flight sergeant.

Mae West—Life-saving jacket.

Brolly—Parachute.

Sprog—Recruit.

Binder—One who annoys.

Gone for a Burton—Died or killed.

Shaky Do—Nearly a serious accident.

Irons—Your knife, fork and spoon.

Drone—Air gunner.

Tear off a strip—Admonish.

ONE of the most useful words of the lot is kerdumpf. Originally it indicated the bumping noise made by an aircraft when it landed. Now it is an exclamation of surprise, or an ejaculation of emphatic agreement, a sneer—or almost anything.

You'll hear one of the boys maybe shooting a line (that is, telling a tall story). He will be received with a chorus of Kerdumpf. . . Kerdumpf . . . Kerdumpf . . . It is devastating.

Most of the slang words are affectionate. The padre is a devil dodger. An aircraft hand is an erk, tanks are roller skates, an Italian plane is an Eye-tie. You don't have several beers; you have a couple of jugs. The sea is the drink.

Sometimes the derivation is rather involved. For instance, Pilot Officer Dickensen was pronounced to look like W. C. Fields. From that you get Gracie Fields, and the pilot officer is now generally known as Gracie.

When all looks black and things are in a mess, everybody says Situation Normal and carries on with the job.

There's a peculiarly R.A.F. way of saying everything except Kamerad.

WOMEN IN WARTIME—NO. 2

Women in the New Britain

BY ELIZABETH ANDREWS

Welsh National Organiser for the Women's Section of the Labour Party.

WILL women win economic freedom in this war?

After the last war women won their political freedom.

They became M.Ps., Cabinet Ministers, aldermen sheriffs, mayors, council chairmen, county, urban and rural councillors, magistrates, lawyers, preachers.

They served on Government Commissions, and entered industries and professions hitherto closed to them.

Now we come to this war—and the future.

Many questions are asked by thinking women. What will happen to us when the war is over? What part will we play in the New Britain?

Shall we be driven out of industry and the professions or kept on to reduce men's wages, or to keep them out of employment?

When shall we get equal pay for equal work? When will women get economic freedom?

These questions need attention now.

Women are called to work of national importance that needs intelligence, skill and courage.

They are called from the kitchen to fill up every kind of position, and are expected to work well with little training.

Never Again!

No ban on married women in war-time! They are called upon to man our industries, to keep the home fires burning and to keep up the health and morale of their families.

Married women, doctors, nurses, teachers, are called back to the job for which they were trained but which they had to give up on marriage. The country had been all the poorer in peace-time because of this restriction.

It must never be imposed again.

The Government is prepared to establish day nurseries for toddlers and feeding centres for school children to help the women who go into industry.

These war-time measures could be extended and improved in peace-time.

Day nurseries, nursery schools and the feeding of school children are reforms that should have been made long ago.

Mothers and children would benefit in better health and development. We must press for these now and develop them after the war.

Women who have enjoyed economic freedom before marriage find it very difficult to be dependent on their husbands for every penny they need and spend.

Heavy Toll

In working-class homes, it is taken for granted that mother does all the sacrificing—she often prides herself on it—but the toll in ill-health is a heavy one.

Economic freedom for the mother in the home may appear to many far-fetched, but it demands some consideration.

It is time that the home maker had a square deal. Home making has been the Cinderella of all the industries.

The early Socialists believed in the economic freedom of woman. The war is helping to bring it about—temporarily. It is up to woman to keep it, permanently.

The best way to achieve this is for every woman in industry and the professions to join trade unions and stand alongside their men in the demand for better conditions generally.

SETTLEMENT OF STRIKE

Paint-Scrapers' Demands For Higher Wages

In connection with the report that about 2,000 paint-scrapers in local dockyards and other places went on strike last Thursday following a demand for an increase of 40 per cent. in wages, the following facts were obtained from Mr H. C. K. Hawkins, Labour Officer, yesterday:

During May, the Paint-Scrapers' Guild of No. 81 Bulkely Street, Hunghom, put forward certain requests for increases in the daily wages paid to paint-scrapers. The Labour Officer arranged a meeting between the representatives of the Guild and representatives of the paint-scraper contractors on June 3. The question of an increase was discussed, and a further meeting fixed for June 10.

At this meeting it was pointed out by the principal contractors that in November, 1940, they had increased their contracts with the sub-contractors by seven per cent. They now offered to increase their contract rates by 20 per cent. It should be noted that this increase is on the whole of the contract rates and not merely on that proportion of the rates which represents workmen's wages. The Guild pressed for a further increase, and the Labour Officer suggested that the principal contractors should immediately increase their contract rates by 20 per cent.

Contractors' Agreement

This would bring the paint-scrapers employed by these contractors on to equal terms with the paint-scrapers employed by the big European dockyards. It is common knowledge that these dockyards are at present considering the question of further wage increases and the Labour Officer suggested that the principal contractors should guarantee to grant to their workmen exactly the same increase as might be agreed between the dock companies and their workmen. The principal contractors immediately agreed to this suggestion, but the Guild representatives said that they would have to consult their members. On Wednesday, June 11 the Guild representatives saw the Labour Officer and stated that between 80 and 90 per cent. of their members were quite prepared to agree to the above terms. They stated, however, that a small minority were not satisfied, and they asked the Labour Officer to see those men personally and explain the position to them. The Labour Officer agreed to do this on Wednesday evening, but the Guild said that it would be impossible to get hold of the men by that time and suggested that Friday morning would be the most suitable hour. On Thursday, June 12, the paint-scrapers went on strike.

This was a most extraordinary action in view of the fact that so large a percentage of the workers were said to be satisfied with the terms which had been agreed by their Guild. It would appear either that the majority of the workers were not fully aware of the agreement reached by the Guild or else that they were being intimidated.

On Friday, June 13, the Labour Officer issued a full statement of the case and of the principal contractors' offer to the Chinese Press and also caused a notice in Chinese to be displayed outside the Guild premises. On Saturday, June 14, all the men returned to work.

Murder In Macao

Macao, June 17.

Hiding in the crowd round the *Sai Nam Yat Po* office to-day, an unknown gunman assassinated Mr Chiu Yat-ngok, who was recently appointed by Canton to be Magistrate in Chungshan district.

The gunman was among the crowd outside the office reading the bulletin boards and fired several shots at Chiu as he alighted from a car, one striking him in the head. His bodyguards were taken completely by surprise and the panic stricken crowd prevented them from firing back. In the confusion the gunman escaped.

Chiu was taken to hospital immediately but was dead on arrival.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

Wedding

News has been received by cable of the marriage, on June 11, at St John's Church, Napier, New Zealand, by the Rev. S. C. Francis, B.A., of Pamela, only daughter of Mrs S. G. Hollington, of Napier, to the Rev. John Butler Davies ("Jock"), only son of the Rev. Herbert Davies, M.A., and Mrs Davies, of Canton and Cheung Chau. The bridegroom was born in Hongkong and received his earlier education at Chefoo before going to Otago University, New Zealand.

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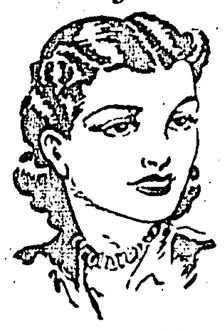

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JUNKET TO TOKYO

THE so-called state visit to Japan of Mr Wang Ching-wei, No. 1 defector from the Government of China, closes one door and opens another. The Japanese nominee is being received by the Emperor of Japan, this in itself being tacit approval of Dr Honda's recent vehement utterances that a settlement of the China Incident must be sought through the medium of the Nanking administration and not by any other means. Dr Honda, Tokyo representative in Nanking, preceded Wang to Japan "to report" only a few weeks ago and it would now seem that Wang had demanded something absolutely final in Japanese recognition of his status to kill constantly recurring rumours of peace overtures to Chungking. The answer is in the visit to Tokyo. Once having presented him to their Emperor as the leader of China, the Japanese can hardly withdraw their patronage.

It is evident that the Japanese would have dearly liked to see Axis recognition of the Nanking Government before proceeding to this extreme stage; alternatively they would have preferred to have met a little encouragement from the feelers sent out to Chungking. However, the uncompromising attitude of General Chiang Kai-shek, which events have proved had the support of Chungking enabled Wang Ching-wei to demand extrication from the humiliating position into which he had been placed.

When not one reputable Chinese, let alone a foreign country, followed Japan's lead by giving him "face" Wang was strengthened by the knowledge that his fall would be insignificant compared with the loss in prestige that Japan would suffer. Accordingly he has the confidence to insist that Japan commit herself to sustain his star and the Tokyo "junket"—to use an appropriate American word—is the outcome.

It remains to be seen whether the Nanking leader will find his star in the ascendant there.

BRITISH YOUTH IN TWO WARS

By SIRDAR IKBAL ALI SHAH,
The well-known Muslim author

IF ONE COMPARES THE YOUTH OF BRITAIN during the years of the War of 1914-18 with the young people who are engaged in the struggle of to-day, certain marked differences become almost at once apparent, particularly to the Oriental mind. The greatest contrast, perhaps, is to be found in the spirit of excitement which prevailed almost throughout the former struggle, and the unruffled attitude to present events of the young manhood and womanhood of this island.

There was something almost vociferous about the manner in which the youth of Britain approached its ordeals in 1914. Indeed "The isle was full of noises", and patriotic sentiment ran high.

The music halls, the temples of this highly-strung and pugnacious cult, furnished songs so exuberantly martial as to surprise a foreigner, who could scarcely credit the cool and collected British people with such uproarious militancy.

The shrines of the dance were tumultuous, not only with the newly discovered American "jazz", but with that "whoopee" which made the fatalistic Oriental feel that Europe had found a new affinity with the spirit of Africa.

The English Miss, dropping her somewhat nun-like character and vestal bearing, appeared in a new veiling of sunset-hued garments and made free with cosmetics. The last sad rags of Victorianism seemed to be thrown to the wild winds of festival.

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Liquor in abundance heightened the feverishness of the proceedings. The cocktail with its deleterious mixture of vintages and spirits was certainly responsible for much of the rowdiness of the war years, as was the American habit of carrying a flask in the hip-pocket. These things made for a freedom of manner before unknown to the country.

Parents stormed and raved but saw that they could make no impression. The ferrule of authority had slipped from their grasp, and they solaced themselves with the formula that the country, and humanity along with it, had gone to the dogs. Elderly ladies muttered Apocalyptic warnings about "scarlet women" and "the mark of the Beast," and clergymen preached on the text: "Let us eat, let us drink, for to-morrow we die," and indicated the writing on the wall with dramatic forefingers.

The bare truth was, I think, that men on leave from the mud and blood of the trenches naturally craved for a relaxation as violent as that of the life-in-death they had been facing. The girls, always keenly studious of male moods, quickly sensed this prevailing spirit and found themselves in sympathy with it.

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But the aftermath was a sad one. In spite of whoopee and cocktails Britain won the war. It left in its train, however, scores of ruined careers. Thousands found themselves unable to put the brake on and continued the headlong follies of war-time in the piping times of peace. Broken lives and hearts strewed the paths of the post-war years. The legends of these were told in every household.

The youth of to-day heard whispers of how Uncle Bill or Aunt Ethel, debauched by their-war-time experiences, had never been able to get into step again, and shuddered at the thought of these "horrible examples."

This may explain to some extent why the present war is being waged in a spirit of such grim and sober strenuousness.

Of course one remarks quite a deal of reckless gaiety and even a certain incidence of folly, but that, I am sure we will all agree, is much more sporadic and incidental than general. However, the dread of past example by no means explains everything. In the early months of the war a certain attitude of "Well, if we must," was apparent in some quarters. Indeed, it was to be found in places up to the moment of the Franco-Belgian debacle.

After Dunkirk a marked change became apparent in the manner and bearing of our youth. Britain was fighting this war single-handed. It was going to be no picnic, but had resolved itself into a life-and-death struggle between the British Commonwealth, the natural upholder of human freedom, and a mob of gangster brigands whose sole intention was to make the world subservient to their will and hale it into bondage.

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The young people, with their lives before them, were thinking furiously.

They saw and saw steadily, that unless the world were made safe from the German menace any prospect of future happiness they might have would be slender enough.

The abominations perpetrated in Poland, Holland and Czechoslovakia, entered like iron into men's souls, and revealed what would happen to the people of Britain did the Nazis succeed in getting a footing there. To some extent it stopped the flow of gaiety at its source, though it did not quench the natural buoyancy of the British people in face of danger.

In any case, it diffused a deeper spirit of gravity not only through all classes, but particularly among the young men in the Army and the young women in the allied services.

For although the young folk of 1914-18 realised to the full that in Germany they were fighting a vicious and vengeful enemy, they were under the misapprehension that these poisonous qualities did not reside so much among the German people as among the military and their leaders, particularly the group which surrounded the Kaiser.

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This generation, on the contrary, is well aware that the homicidal spirit of Germany's leaders is fully endorsed by the German people at large, who are by nature sadistic and bloodthirsty, as well as animated by the ungenerous passions of envy and revenge.

In a word, the thought of the perilous position of humanity as a whole has assuredly reacted upon the youth of Britain, making them determined and watchful. And I think, too, the lessons of the past have been thoroughly taken to heart and their dangers fully recognised.

Britain will prevail, but it will be because of her sobriety, thoughtfulness and calm courage in the face of danger unexampled.

PRIVATE LIFE OF A PRIVATE: Another Chapter

It's a Lovely Weapon!

"EVERYBODY'S got light machine-guns," says Charlie the Chancer.

Hitch, the Wigan Sergeant, looks at him in a deceptively simple, ox-like way and says: "What d'you mean, 'Everybody's got light machine-guns?'"

"What I say, Sarnt. Ain't Jerry got 'em?"

"He has," says Sergeant Hitch.

"Well, I don't see what all the excitement is about this here Bren gun."

"It gives you a high rate of fire," comes the answer. "It's dead accurate. It's got no shock of recoil. A ten-year-old could fire it, take it to pieces, and put it together again.

"It's little and don't need any cover worth mentioning. What more do you want? Do you want it to go out and take prisoners, you silly Twillip?"

"No, I do not want it to sing and dance to me, Sarnt. But if *every*body's got 'em, what's the points? Where do they *get* us? We fire Brens at them: they fire Brens at us."

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"A lawyer," says Sergeant Hitch, sadly. "That's what you are. Listen. In the last war, did the Jerries run about naked with spears?"

"I couldn't say, Sarnt."

"What does this horrible Twidget mean, he couldn't say?"

"I wasn't there, Sarnt, and no more was you."

"All right. Do the Wops fight, with bows and arrers?"

"They might do," says Charlie the Chancer. "I never seen them."

"Well," says the imperturbable Hitch, "they don't. See? The Wops fight with the same weapons that we use. And are we beating the Wops?"

"Maybe we are."

"Ther's no maybe. We are. See? And what are we beating them with, do you think? Death-rays?"

"Maybe we are."

"Well we're not, see? We're beating 'em with the same weapons as they use. Why, Wavell, out there, he had nothing at all to start with: he just bluffed 'em at the beginning. Well, why are we beating the Wops? Because we're free men, see?

"The same goes for us against Jerry. So long as we've got the same sort of equipment as he's got, we can beat him all right because our heart's really in the fight.

"See, you wad-scoffing Twommet? So don't talk like a soppy great Snurge, you silly sausage. The Bren is a lovely weapon.

"Now put your fags out and let me hear you run over these groups of parts. You, name me the four groups."

"Butt group, body group, piston group, and barrel group," says Charlie.

"We ought to have death-rays," he adds.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty

"I didn't sleep a wink all night trying to think of new ways to show Phil that he means nothing at all to me!"

GEORGE CROSS RECIPIENT

Saved St Paul's

LONDON, June 17 (Reuter).—One of the men of the famous bomb disposal squad who saved St Paul's Cathedral last September by removing a one-ton high explosive delayed action bomb, buried in the south-west corner of the Cathedral, was decorated by the King with the George Cross at a recent investiture at Buckingham Palace.

He was Corporal George Wyllie, to whom fell the task of the actual discovery and removal of the bomb.

When the bomb was dug up, the removal squad, commanded by Lieutenant Robert Davis, who also received the George Cross, loaded the bomb on a lorry and drove it to Hackney Marshes some miles away, where it was exploded.

Was a Grocer

Corporal Wyllie is a bachelor of 31 years and was a grocer in Scotland until eight years ago. Before then he was working in an aeroplane factory in England.

As the King pinned the Cross on his tunic, a Court official read out an account of his deed "for conspicuous bravery...his untiring energy, courage and disregard for danger was an outstanding example to his comrades."

The King asked Wyllie how long it took to remove the bomb.

"Three Jays, sir," was the reply.

Health Bulletin

Cholera Figures

Eleven cases of Cholera (three each from Victoria, Kowloon and Shaukiwan, and two from the New Territories), 12 cases of Dysentery, seven of Typhoid, one of Measles, and 42 of Tuberculosis, were reported on Monday.

The weekly return shows the following cases of infectious diseases in addition to Cholera: Three cases of Cerebro-spinal Meningitis with one death, four of Diphtheria with two deaths, 43 of Dysentery with 16 deaths, 22 of Typhoid with nine deaths, two of Measles with one death, one of Puerperal Fever with one death, and 270 of Tuberculosis with 126 deaths.

Small-pox On Decline

Cholera figures for the week ended June 14 show a total of 34 cases with 12 deaths. From January 1 to June 10, at midnight, the total was 913 cases (five imported) with 528 deaths. Fifty-one sufferers are undergoing treatment.

Evidence that Small-pox is being steadily checked is contained in the information that there were no cases for the week ended June 14. From June 1 to June 16 there were 15 cases, of which 13 proved fatal.

The decrease in Small-pox figures is to a certain extent, due to the education of the Chinese in the value of vaccination. The Chinese seem to have lost their prejudice but they are still reluctant to allow their infants to be vaccinated. This is one reason why the majority of Small-pox cases occur among infants.

On the other hand, the Chinese are not so willing to avail themselves of the protection afforded by inoculation against Cholera.

Briton Shot Dead In Nazi Prison Camp

Britain has protested to the German Government against the shooting by a sentry in a prisoner-of-war camp in Germany of Lieutenant Dees, of the 6th Battalion Durham Light Infantry. The officer died immediately.

The disclosure was made by Captain Margesson, Minister of War, in the House of Commons recently.

Inquiries made through a protecting Power, said the Minister, had established that Lieutenant Dees was shot by a sentry while standing in the window of his cabin in Oflag 7 C/H.

The shots were fired because of a camp regulation forbidding prisoners to lean out of the windows with a view to preventing communication with the civil population.

The protecting Power had been requested to convey to the German Government on behalf of the British Government the most emphatic protest against the shooting.

SINO-BURMESE FRONTIER LINES

CHUNGKING, June 17 (Reuter).—Delimitation of the frontier between China and Burma has been finally settled after prolonged negotiations, "Reuter" learns from well-informed sources to-day.

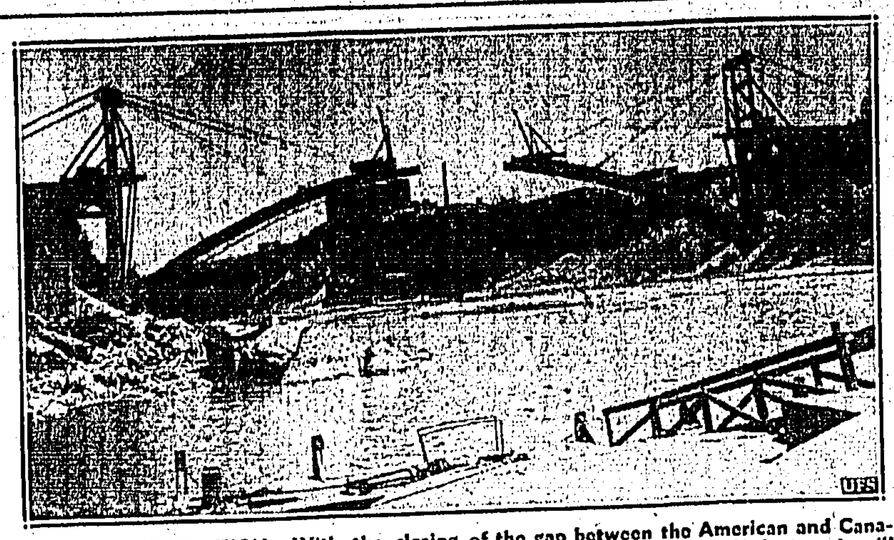
It is expected that the agreement between the Chinese and British Governments will be signed shortly.

TROOPS LEAVE

Canton Will Be Replaced

SHIUKWAN, June 17 (International).—About five thousand Japanese troops left the Canton area late last week for Hainan Island. They were mostly infantry and cavalry units. The transports steamed out of Canton in broad daylight.

Well informed quarters here do not expect a southern movement yet.



NEARING COMPLETION—With the closing of the gap between the American and Canadian sections of the new Rainbow Bridge at Niagara Falls, this great 950-foot arch will be finished this month. Cables above are temporary. Later they will be removed to give an unobstructed view of the famous falls.

BOB BLATCHFORD, AT 90, WORRIED

Ninety years old, Mr Robert Blatchford, soldier, Socialist, journalist, is worried . . . about the future. They called him from the green-house in his Sussex garden so that he could tell about it.

He walked firmly, confidently and unaided up the path to his well-loved library.

Bob Blatchford—he was always Bob to the thousands who gained inspiration from his vigorous writings—wonders what is going to happen after the war.

"The outcome of the war I take for granted," he said. "I never had any doubt that we should win.

"One Hope"

"But it grieves me to think that human nature has sunk so low as to wage the kind of war that is being waged now.

"The peace will be more difficult to win than the war.

"The one hope, as I see it is in the further cementing and the continuance of the friendship between the British Empire and the American continent."

The warning comes well from a man who has foreseen the future with almost uncanny accuracy since long before the Great War, which he pronounced as inevitable in 1909—a prophecy for which he was subjected to a barrage of abuse.

The pacifists again hurled their epithets at Bob Blatchford when, throughout the 1930s, he repeated his warnings of inevitable German aggression.

He wrote, in 1935: "Germany is a formidable, revengeful, unscrupulous Power, armed and ready to pounce."

And, in 1936: "The horror of 1914 is closing in on us again, but it has grown bigger and more devilish...."

"Smiled Sadly"

Bob Blatchford smiled sadly when he was reminded of this.

"I don't blame people for taking little notice," he said.

"I don't suppose we shall ever cease to make the mistake of thinking that the whole globe is peopled by Britishers."

Mr Blatchford thinks there cannot be a return to the old way of living after the war.

Asked what he would like people to remember him as—Socialist, or journalist, Bob Blatchford thought for a moment, then—"I don't know that I want them to remember me at all," he said, "but I like to think I am still Sergt. Blatchford."

Washington Is "Boom Town"

America's gigantic defence programme has transformed Washington from a dull city of staid bureaucrats into the gayest and most expensive capital in the world.

A tiny hotel room costs £4 a night, champagne (at £3 a bottle) flows like water, and queues wait to get into night clubs.

It is known as "Boom Town." Workmen are busy on scores of new buildings.

One reason for the fantastically high cost of living is the arrival of scores of millionaires, who are giving their services to the Government for a nominal salary of a dollar a year.

SELF-SACRIFICE CALL TO CLERGY

A call for practical self-sacrifice by the clergy, so as to set about rebuilding a Christian order of society in the modern world, has been made to clergy of the Church of England by the Company of Mission Priests.

This body has been formed under the auspices of the three largest religious communities for men in the Church of England. Its aim is to tackle the main pastoral problem of the Church, the numerical inadequacy of the priesthood.

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Lang, has given his approval to the movement. The membership of the Company is at present 13. They all accept very small stipends and live together in houses of the artisan or lower middle class type.

At an informal meeting held recently in London it was decided to embark on further recruiting so that pastoral work in some of the new housing areas near industrial centres could be undertaken. Clergy, who join the Company accept a life of voluntary poverty, and membership, therefore, is for practical purposes limited to the unmarried.

Yugo-Slavia's Protest On Record

LONDON, June 17 (Reuter).—The British Government in a Note to the Yugo-Slav Minister in London, places on record "their sense of indignation at the shameless manner in which Yugo-Slavia has been mutilated and parts of her territory subjected to foreign rule in gross violation of the true feelings of the Yugo-Slav people."

The British Government takes note of the Yugo-Slav protests at the dismemberment of the country by the Axis. It recalls the Yugo-Slav protests of May 14 and 28 calling attention to the illegal proclamation of "Independent Croatia," which represented a camouflaged annexation to Italy of Croatia and the "brutal dismemberment of the Slovene people."

The British note declares these acts by the German and Italian Government null and void, and states that the British Government will continue to support the Government of King Peter.

PAYMENT OF CHINESE CREWS

LONDON, June 17 (Reuter).—The Parliamentary Secretary, Col J. J. Llewellin, at question time in the House of Commons to-day, disclosed that the Ministry of Shipping had discussed very fully with Mr Quo Tai-chi, former Chinese Ambassador and now Chinese Foreign Minister, the question of payment to Chinese seamen and added: "I am glad to say that there have been no recent difficulties with crews in this country."

Food Scarce In Rumania

ZURICH, June 17 (Reuter).—Re-introduction of black-outs in Bucharest is reported by the Budapest correspondent of the "Basler Nachrichten."

He adds: "Shortage of several important foodstuffs and other articles in common use is beginning to make itself felt in Bucharest."

The shortage, the correspondent says, involves meat, fats, oil, coffee, tea, rice, flour, soap, textiles and leather.

New Zealand Shipbuilding

WELLINGTON, June 17 (Reuter).—The placing of a contract for building four minesweepers at Port Chalmers to British Admiralty plans was announced by the New Zealand Minister of Supply, Mr Sullivan, to-day.

BOMBER FUND DONATIONS

Two substantial donations to the Bomber Fund have been received as follows: Messrs Linstead & Davis, $2,000. Mr C. Bernard Brown, $2,000. Both are second donations.

Shortage Of Power In Shanghai

SHANGHAI, June 17 (International).—As the Shanghai Power Company has notified picture houses to curtail power by 75 per cent., movie theatres may have to close down.

An appeal is to be made by owners of picture houses to the Shanghai Municipal Council and the Shanghai Power Company not to enforce this decision, lest the public should be deprived of their main source of entertainment.

Fewer Workless

LONDON, June 17 (Reuter).—The unemployed in Britain numbered 290,321 on May 12, which is nearly half a million fewer than May 20 last year, and nearly 30,000 less than the previous month's figure.

Robin Moor Depositions

Roosevelt To Study Survivors' Stories

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, June 17 (UP).—The depositions of the eleven survivors of the steamer Robin Moor who landed in Brazil arrived from Pernambuco by plane to-day, are being brought to the United States by a member of the United States Embassy, Mr Phillip Williams. They will be studied immediately by President Roosevelt for further details beyond the brief resume sent last week.

After conferring with Mr Sumner Welles, Under-Secretary of State, the President or Mr Welles may make a statement condemning the sinking in the strongest terms.

Meanwhile, the United States Consul at Capetown, Mr James Denby, has sent a sketchy report of the 35 other survivors who arrived on board an unidentified British craft. He is expected to file a more detailed report later and also take depositions from the survivors.

A Bandit's Ignominious Capture

KWANGCHOWWAN, June 17 (Wah Kiu Yat Po).—Fu Yung-mou, the notorious bandit chief of the Luichow Peninsula, has been caught in Kwangchowwan, it is officially announced.

Fu who was the head of the so-called "One Hundred Men Gang" had ravaged Luichow. He was forced to escape to Hoihow in Hainan before the Japanese invasion of the island as a result of the strict Chinese bandit suppression measures enforced in south-western Kwangtung.

With the fall of Hainan to the Japanese, Fu supported the Japanese and acted as their agent after secretly returning to Luichwo, where he smuggled wolfram and tung-oil with armed forces from the Chinese territory to the Japanese.

Only recently several of his gang were caught in Kwangchowwan. They were believed to be involved in a burglary case early this year.

Hide-Out

In order to resume his activities in the leased territory, Fu Yung-mou secretly leased a wooden cottage near the shore at Fort Bayard last month under a disguised name. He was involved in a dispute with the landlady of the house on June 11, which led to his arrest by the French Police who identified him by his ivory private seal bearing his own name and a notebook which were found in his possession.

Two new revolvers, some bullets, and a bundle of banknotes to the value of NC$3,000 were discovered in his luggage. He is said to have worn a bullet-proof waistcoat.

It is reported that in his notebook, the number of arms, the names of his gang, and his connection with the Japanese were clearly recorded.

Contention For Prisoner

Reliable quarters here understood that the Japanese tried to offer bail for his release and the Chinese authorities requested his handing over to the Government of Kwangtung in Shiukwan.

It is recalled that Fu Yung-mou, once offered his loyalty to the Chinese authorities, but it was later proved that his intention was false.

GARRISON FOR AZORES

VICHY, June 17 (Reuter).—A detachment of soldiers has left Lisbon for the Azores to reinforce the naval base at Ponta del Gada, states a Lisbon despatch.

The sailors took with them a quantity of war materials.

A contingent of troops from Lisbon has already arrived at the Azores, according to a despatch from Angara do Heroismo.

Cripps Sees King

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, June 17 (UP).—Sir Stafford Cripps, British Ambassador to Moscow, had a lengthy audience with the King to-day and it is understood that they discussed the Soviet situation.

The Prime Minister, Mr Winston Churchill, also had an audience with His Majesty.

CANADA'S WAR EFFORT

NEW YORK, June 17 (Reuter).—"With the enemy at her gates and approaching our shores, there will be time enough to check on the costs and credits when we all know whether the world is to be slave or free," said Mr W. L. Mackenzie King, the Canadian Prime Minister, to-night, referring to Britain's shortage of Canadian money which "we have told her not to worry about."

He was speaking in New York to associated Canadian organisations.

"Our people went to war for the sake of Canada but not for Canada alone. We went to war for the sake of Britain, for the sake of North American civilisation which we are proud to defend, and for the sake of that humanity which is above all nations. Against total war we have brought and shall bring our total effort."

"The value of Canadian shipments of food, raw materials and war equipment to Britain," he continued, "will, it is estimated, reach $1,500,000,000 in 1941.

"Apart from goods sent to Canada, Britain has needed already $1,000,000,000 to cover Canadian purchases, Britain has paid Canada about a quarter of this in gold, while Canada herself has supplied the remainder in Canadian dollars which Britain needed."

He predicted that the end of the war would find the British Commonwealth and the United States "on each other's side, united more closely than ever in one great endeavour to undo the wrongs which have been done to mankind."

Bond With America

PRINCETOWN, June 17 (Reuter).—"Canada and the United States shall for ever walk togther as the best of good neighbours" said the Canadian Prime Minister, Mr Mackenzie King in receiving an honorary degree at the Princetown University to-day.

Mr King is on a brief visit to the United States.

He told the graduating class, "between you and us is a community of thought and ideal and purpose. Our common disdain of fleeting things that will pass, and our common love for eternal things that will remain."

KREISLER WILL PLAY AGAIN

Discharged From Hospital

NEW YORK, June 17 (Reuter).—Fritz Kreisler, the famous violinist, was discharged from hospital to-day and his condition was described as good.

Audiences may expect once again to hear him play with all his matchless art, for his wife stated that he will play again "as he has always played."

Kreisler, who is 66, was knocked down by a motor car in New York seven weeks ago and was taken to hospital suffering from a fractured skull and internal injuries.

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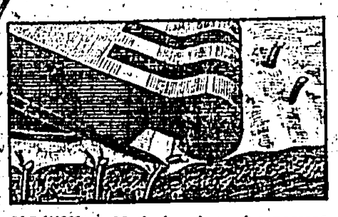

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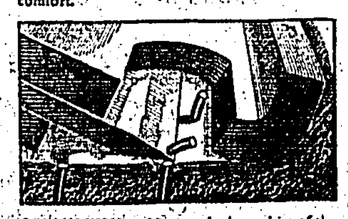

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Around The Courses

Useful Hints From Professionals' Play

Knowledge Of Local Rules Essential

Misconceptions At Kowloon

(By "Birdie")

AMERICA, at the moment, is undoubtedly the home of golf, and from the stars that brighten the otherwise black firmament of world golf come periodic items of news that are a boon to a writer. In this land where players are so numerous and so great it must be a simple tonic and lesson for the average golfer to wander around and watch the pros at play.

Mr Average Golfer, however, is usually a happy-go-lucky fellow—ever striving for better results (he wouldn't be a golfer otherwise) but not caring too particularly to personally prosecute over-zealous research into the subject of swing, rhythm etc., etc.

Let someone master the methods and demonstrate and Mr Average Golfer might be willing to do something about it. But for most people pros aren't as plentiful as all that nor are they available, so the second best is the study of books and pictures.

A golf journalist in America recently made an effort to epitomise the outstanding features of some of the best over there, and a summary of his summary was this.

Watch Ben Hogan's flick of the wrists in the making of his shots. It almost deceives the eye to follow, but it is the fount from which he draws his power. It is a direct parallel to boxing, to have the weight ready to throw into a punch. All the best are relaxed before hitting the ball.

On the putting green, study the line—even the way the grass is cut, for the ball can be deflected by blades of grass.

Watch the pro go into a sand trap. He does not do so blindly. He treads his way feeling the firmness of the ground, debating whether it is better to blast or take the ball cleanly out of the sand.

Watch Sam Snead drive. The muscles of his neck are like whipcords at the moment of impact, and though it looks all so easy, there is every ounce of the necessary weight and strength supplied to the shot.

Watch Byron Nelson hit a long iron. The ball travels low, almost level with the ground, and when it lands jumps to the left instead of the right. It is comparatively simple to put back-spin on the ball and make it jump to the right—if you can do the other you are nearer the top.

Gene Sarazen plays without wasted time or effort. If he is going to miss the ball he misses it quick, for a over-long concentration on what goes to make the shot invariably results in a too tense muscle somewhat or other to the detriment of the stroke.

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THERE can be no over-estimating the value of a knowledge of local rules. For quite some weeks, now, I have been playing at Kowloon in ignorance of two very important ones.

The first was an amendment to the Rules of Golf, No. 11, which deals with the removal of obstructions.

Rule 11 reads: "Any flag-stick, guide post, implement, vehicle, bridge, bridge planking, seat, hut, shelter or similar obstruction may be removed . . . A ball lying on or touching such an obstruction, or lying on or touching clothes, or ground under repair, or a drain cover, hydrant, hydrant cover, or exposed water pipe . . . may be lifted and dealt with without penalty.

"If the player's stroke be interfered with by any such obstruction which is immovable and which is within two clubs' lengths of his ball, the ball may be lifted and dropped . . . without penalty."

On the rifle ranges there are quite a number of exposed pipes, and concrete fixtures and on all previous occasions I had dealt with the ball as under the Rule 11. But the local rule at Kowloon is that the ball must be played where it lies—even in a concrete nullah!

There were reasons for this. Rule 11, apparently, had been so abused that the Committee formulated the local rule to avoid differences of opinions.

At the long 3rd, too, which is on the left of the main nullah, I had always thought that the ground immediately in front of the tee was out of bounds, for the ground to the left of the nullah is generally so described. It was not until it was pointed out that if that were so one would be *driving from out of bounds* that I realised the erroneous conception.

For some considerable distance along this nullah, there is a border of sand. A ball in the nullah is picked up and dropped under penalty of one stroke.

But it was quite a set-back the other day to be told by one of the older members of the Club that he was not sure that the ball should not be dropped in the sand.

It didnt seem reasonable that after having incurred a penalty through going in the dyke one must incur another by dropping the ball into the sand!

This, however, has been cleared up, for the stipulated distance of three clubs' lengths from the nullah is supposed to take one outside the area of the sand. Hence one is permitted to drop on the fairway.

Since then I have carefully conned the local rules, for, as in the case of Rule 11, they assume paramount importance.

Gadget to control the head. Perfected by Francis Marzolf, professional at the Wyandot Country Club, and Roy Kirk, a member, it guarantees to make one hit 'em straight.

It is simple, but if forces one to observe the cardinal principle of keeping one's head still and down, making the shoulders and head keep in the same plane of swing.

The skull cap is attached to a roller-bearing pivot.

Roy Kirk, one of the inventors, shows how it acts in control.

H. E. Morriss's Success Over Derby Distance

NEWBURY, June 8 (Reuter).—Annatom and Sunray, Derby runners, failed to gain places in the Coronation Cup over a mile and a half yesterday, the issue being fought out by Akerhalter 7-2, Hipplus 15-8 and and Lovely Rim 11-4, who finished in that order.

Annatom ran ahead of Thoroughfare, another Derby candidate. Annatom took Thoroughfare's place in the Berkshire trial stakes over a mile and a half, which attracted 10 Derby candidates, and which was won by **Mr H. E. Morriss's Chateau La Rose, a half-brother by Chateau Bouscaut to Pasch and Paques, out of the mare Pasco.**

No Outstanding Horse For 1941 Derby

India And Far East Interests

LONDON, June 17 (Reuter).—Though naturally lacking much of the peacetime glamour, Derby Day, whether in peace or war, is still Derby Day and the war will recede to the background for two minutes to-morrow when 21 colts clash in the supreme test for three-year-olds over a mile and a half at Newmarket for the second year in succession.

The runners are only a moderate lot and in the absence of any outstanding champion like Blue Peter or Bahram the race presents the most open appearance in years.

The race is full of interesting possibilities and the result will be eagerly awaited throughout the world, as usual, particularly in India and the Far East.

Indian Owners

Morogoro, owned by the Maharani Sahib of Kholapur, is splendidly bred and has sufficient form to suggest a great chance of becoming the third grey colt to win the turf's blue riband and enabling the owner to be the third woman to win in the 161 years history of the race.

Another fancied challenger is Annation, owned by Prince Alikhan, who is at present serving in the army in India. Further Indian interest will be centred in the outsider Camperdown, owned by the merchant, Sir Victor Sassoon.

Far East Interest

Far East racing enthusiasts will undoubtedly be hoping for Harry Morriss, Shanghai business man to repeat Manna's Derby victory in 1925, with Chateau la Rose, one of the only two horses in the race to have won over the Derby distance. The other is Suncastle, owned by Lord Portal, which is likely to be installed a last minute favourite.

Memories of the famous Ormonde, winner of the Derby, St Leger and Two Thousand Guineas in 1886 will be revived if the Duke of Westminster's Lambert Simnel wins. Ormonde made the Duke's father's colours famous. Lambert Simnel won the Two Thousand Guineas in convincing style but his stamina over a mile and a half is still an unknown quantity.

Probables And Final Call-Over

LONDON, June 17 (Reuter).—Probables and final call-over for the Substitute Derby which will be run to-morrow were:

Probables

Single Court (Cliff Richards), Royal Academy (Gethin), Cuerdley (Jones), Mazarin (Bartlam), Devonian (Perryman), Selim Hassan (Beary), Valdavian (Herbert), Starwort (Joe Taylor), Firoze Din (Stephenson), Annatom (Arthur Wragg), Morogoro (Harry Wragg), Owen Tudor (Nevett), Throughfare (Sam Wragg), Chateau La Rose (Bridgeland), Suncastle (Pat Beasley), Orthodox (Denis Smith), Ptolemy (Ephraim Smith), Camperdown (Lowrey), Lambert Simnel (Elliott), Sunny Island (Carey) and Fairy Prince (Line).

Final Call-Over

5/1 (t & o) Lambert Simnel.
11/2 (t & o) Suncastle.
6/1 (t & o) Morogoro.
10/1 (o) Devonian, 21/2 (t).
100/9 (o) Chateau La Rose, 100/8 (t).
100/9 (o) Orthodox, 15/1 (t).
100/7 (o) Starwort.
100/6 (o) Throughfare.
18/1 (t & o) Ptolemy.
20/1 (t & o) Fairy Prince.
22/1 (t & o) Annatom.
22/1 (o) Camperdown.
25/1 (t & o) Cuerdley.
25/1 (o) Owen Tudor, 33/1 (t).
33/1 (t & o) Mazarin.
33/1 (o) Sunny Island.
40/1 (t & o) Royal Academy.
40/1 (o) Fettes.
50/1 (o) Valdavian and Selim Hassan.
66/1 (o) Single Court.
100/1 (o) Firoze Din.

Boxing Star Is Born

Harry Lazar Beats Dave Crowley On Points

THE BIG FIGHT of the most ambitious war-time boxing promotion was a fiasco—but a boxing star was born.

Eric Boon, British lightweight champion, weighed nearly a stone over his best fighting weight for his contest with Kid Berg. He struck some heavy blows, but at least two that were illegitimate, and he was disqualified in the second round.

A New Star

BEFORE this disappointment the crowded Coliseum, whose ample stage as well as the auditorium was used for seating, saw 18-year-old Harry Lazar (Aldgate) defeat Dave Crowley (Clerkenwell) on points.

Lazar, in his first fight against a top-notcher, fulfilled all the expectations held of him.

Most impressive, apart from the youngster's snappy counter-punching and riding-out of a clinch, was the manner in which he held a master at in-fighting. Crowley, badly punched about in the second round, stood off all through the third round and was boxing on the retreat in the fourth.

Boon Debacle

USUALLY a slow starter, Boon began to throw his superfluous weight about from the gong and he had Berg on his knees in a few seconds. Berg looked worried but buckled into the fight with his fists flying as only Berg can make them fly. At the end of the round the fight held the promise of a real thriller.

Early in the second round a punch which appeared palpably low, caused Berg to bend and groan. The referee was unsighted, but only a minute passed before a similar blow ended the fight.

Grand Gala At V.R.C. To Aid War Funds

THE GRAND GALA in aid of the Bomber Fund and the British Fund for the Relief of Distress in China which was arranged tentatively for the end of this month between the Combined Chinese and the Combined V.R.C.-Y.M.C.A. has been definitely fixed for July 26.

This was decided at a meeting of representatives held last night.

The Chinese have appointed Mr Ho Siew-um, Chinese Bathing Club, as the convener and have decided that heats will be necessary before their team is selected.

Points will be awarded as follows.—Individual events 3, 2 and 1; relays or team events 3 and 0 and Water-polo 5 and 0. Two swimmers will represent each team in the individual events and one team in the relays.

A change has been made in the original programme. It has been decided to drop the 200 yards backstroke relay for teams of four and substitute a 400 yards relay for four men and four women.

SIGNALS UNBEATEN IN WATER-POLO TOURNAMENT

Signals maintained their unbeaten record in the water-polo tournament yesterday when they beat Navy A 3-1 in a thrilling match in the Army pool. Signals were full value for their win and Dignan, who is their leading goal-scorer, found the net twice as the result of breaking clear. McCann scored the third.

Navy were handicapped in that their forwards rarely took full advantage of opportunities.

Fine Display

Bennett, in goal, gave a grand display and was beaten only once, a backhander from Rutter passing just inside the post. Bedford and Morgan made a staunch pair of backs, and Hunt performed capably at centre-half, although he could have broken away on occasions.

Dignan, Allen and McCann were an elusive trio of forwards and Navy's defence had their work cut out in holding them in check.

Navy marked close in defence, but their full-backs, Cullum and Willis, were not quite fast enough off the mark and were consequently handicapped against the quicker breaking Signal forwards.

Rutter gave one of his best displays this season and together with Paul, who was head and shoulders above the others, was the backbone of the Navy.

Signals.—Bennett; Bedford, Morgan. Hunt; Dignan, Allen, McCann.

Navy A.—Birch; Cullum, Willis; Rutter, Carter, Paul, Halfyard.

Win For M'sex "B"

MIDDLESEX "B" deservedly triumphed 5-4 over 5th A.A. Regt. The latter were weakened by the absence of Page and their regular goal-keeper.

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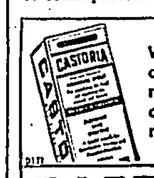

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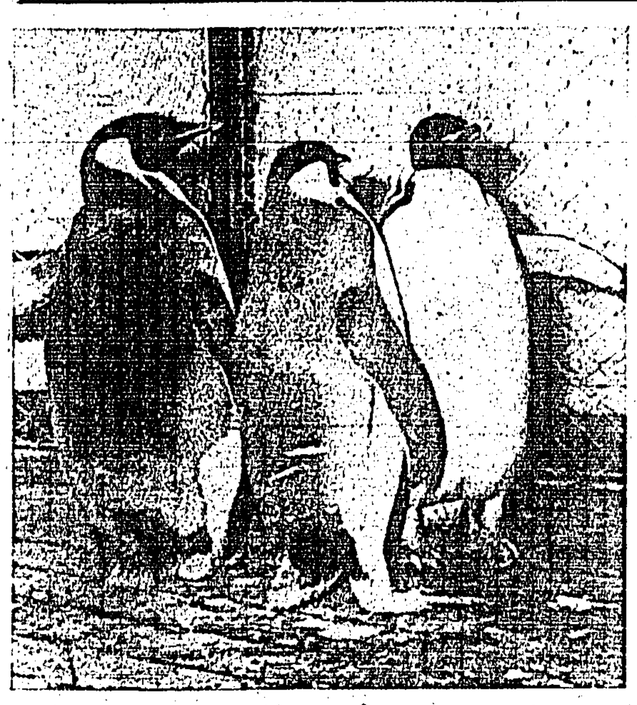

These are rare Emperor penguins, only members of the species in the United States. They were brought to New York by the Byrd expedition, which recently returned from the Antarctic. The penguins are so big that at a distance they are often mistaken for human beings.

THEY FOUND HIM TOO LATE

They found him, his arms flung protectively round two children. The children were not his own, for Thomas Arthur Benn married only a few months ago. He always loved children, and hoped that soon he would have at least one of his own.

He was a Liverpool police constable, and when a boy shouted to him, "There's a house on fire!" he hurried to the place.

Five people were trapped inside. He sent for the fire brigade then pushed his way into the smoke-filled hall.

He found eighteen-year-old Maria Campbell already overcome by smoke, so he picked her up, carried her to the window and dropped her into the arms of the people below.

The staircase was already blazing, but Benn took a chance and ran up.

The father James Campbell, had also collapsed. The constable, coughing and choking dropped him also to safety.

Too Late!

He searched blindly for the others and found them at last—the mother and two children—Patrick, aged fifteen, and Annie, aged nine.

Then a great gust of acrid smoke billowed up the stairs and into the stifling room.

Faintly down the street sounded the clang of a firebell.

Constable Benn put his arms round the children . . . and that is how the firemen found them five minutes later.

Just four minutes too late.

Canadian Pacific Man's New Post

Assigned recently to a new post in connection with Admiralty work in Montreal was R. Robert Liddell, superintendent engineer of Canadian Pacific Steamships Ltd, in Vancouver for the past 11 years.

Formerly a chief engineer with the Canadian Pacific's Atlantic ships, Mr Liddell was on the Empress of Ireland when she was lost after a collision with a tanker in the St Lawrence more than 25 years ago.

During his term in Vancouver, he made several trips to China to superintend winter overhaul operations at the Kowloon Docks in Hongkong.

Coloured Mice From Britain

Fancy mice in a wonderful variety of colours are being bred in England for export overseas. Black, white, chocolate, blue, or in broken colours, they can be trained to do all sorts of interesting things.

Strange as it may seem, ladies all over the world have especially taken to this hobby. They experiment with particular shades and combinations of colours that take their fancy, and even in wartime they can obtain their basic breeding stocks, together with valuable advice on colour heredity, from the English livestock organisations.

Breeding experiments have also been carried out with birds, and the Lion Head Goldfinches which were recently shipped to South Africa have aroused great interest there. No improvement is needed, however, to that charming songster, the English Nightingale, specimens of which have lately been sent to the United States.

Rabbit Breeding

In the last few years there has been an enormous fillip in rabbit-breeding, and the English have evolved very fine strains of the Angora, noted for its wool, and the Chinchilla Rex, Havana Rex and Ermine Rex, these being fur-bearing animals. They have a much denser fur than the natural varieties, and one recent shipment alone consisted of 2,000 head for a fur farm in California.

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Addis Ababa Simmering Down To A Moody Calm

ADDIS ABABA is simmering down to a moody calm. The white women and children are now perfectly safe, under British military control, and many of them sit about the lounges of this hotel—furtively listening to Rome radio—or besiege the British security officers with pleas, protests or complaints, thus wrote a "Daily Express" reporter soon after the recapture.

They are talkative and self-assured as they rub shoulders with British soldiers in the streets and cafes. General Cunningham, in printed posters plastered round the town, has promised safety to those who behave well. So more and more Italians are swarming into the capital.

I saw Abyssinians kneel with tear-stained faces to kiss the Ethiopian flag at a ceremony here.

Axis "art"

In their sacred national buildings, in the centre of the town, I found that Fascists had decorated the walls with flamboyant "New Axis" art—bounding women warriors and young athletes hurling airwards.

In the throne room of the King of Kings blue shields of three-ply wood had been hung. Each commemorated a Fascist victory in the conquest of Ethiopia. Some one had stacked them neatly in a corner—"faces to the wall."

The last printed copies of "Corriere del Impero," printed at the end of March, speak of more English towns being "Coventrated" by the Nazi Air Force.

The editorial "pep" talk says: "Consider as light the burdens you are enduring, and the bigger ones you are going to endure to-morrow."

Well-lighted, Addis Ababa itself has been remodelled, expanded and largely rebuilt. But it still straggles crazily through the famous eucalyptus groves. First-rate roads wind between mud huts and lofty stone buildings.

Aosta's House

The Duke of Aosta lived in a sort of monster pagoda that looks like a national art gallery. A fine bronze head of Dante is about the only Italian thing left. Aosta cleaned out everything down to his notepaper.

Mussolini's great new railway terminal stands forlornly on the edge of a cow paddock. Twenty locomotives were shoved into the yards outside by the fleeing Italians.

Soldiers trying them out found most of them capable of getting up enough steam to chug down the line to Awash.

Absurd incidents keep happening in the general confusion.

An Italian sentry came flying into Fascist headquarters at one captured town with news that the British were coming up the road. He found himself staring into the face of a British colonel who had been in residence there for some days.

Bewildered

Even in the triumphal British march into the Ethiopian capital an Italian despatch rider from a distant post got suddenly entangled in the column. He kept weaving in and out of the British lorries, too bewildered to stop.

Recrossing a hundred miles of this last stage of the advance I saw a thousand places where a telling ambush could have been made.

None was made.

As in every advance I have seen in this war, it was the engineers who took the final honours.

The South Africans flung their girders across thirty-foot chasms in remarkably short time.

Near Diredawa they perched on 1,000-foot drops to hack new roads out of cliff faces.

Along the newly made roads now flow an endless stream of lorries that make this the best transported army in the Middle East.

From 'Cultural Institutions'!

These two stories illustrate the "gratitude" of Germans towards the R.A.F. men who man speed boats to rescue airmen shot down at sea:—

1.—Three Nazi airmen were recently saved after an ordeal in a rough sea off the East Coast.

As they stepped ashore one of them asked if he were in England.

Told that he was, he spat several times on the quayside and then into the officer's face.

2.—A rescued German airman had been in a rubber boat for many hours. It was bitterly cold, and a member of the R.A.F rescue party poured him out a tot of rum.

Taking the rum, the German showed his thanks by flinging it into his rescuer's face.

War's Latest—Undies "Cut"

First stockings, now undies, are war's victims. Production of lingerie is to be severely cut under Britain's concentration of industry plan. So women's undies will have to last longer—and darn it!

"When the plan comes into full operation," a leading hosiery manufacturer said, "production will be restricted to two-thirds of the total manufactured in the six months which ended on November 30 last year.

"The advance of machinery and the initiative of hosiery manufacturers has brought beautiful lingerie within the reach of even small purses.

"The Government's plan deals much more stringently with the production of outer wear and fancy hosiery, which is to be cut by 60 per cent."

Council Bars B.B.C. Jokes

The Public Morality Council of Britain is collecting evidence with which it can challenge the B.B.C. on its "standards of humour."

"Complaint has been made to the Council concerning broadcasts of alleged humour," states the annual report of the Council. "Objection was taken not on grounds of mere vulgarity or taste but by reason of an apparent acceptance of a lower standard."

The annual report adds that the Council's anti-nudity campaign was brought to a successful conclusion, and it had been amply demonstrated that the public desired that its entertainment on the stage should be "free from the unwholesomeness associated with 'strip tease' and the like, now happily a thing of the past."

The King Talks To Dockers

"YOU are still going strong. That's what we want, men like you to train young men at the present time," said the Queen.

She was speaking to Alexander Williams, who has been employed by a Glasgow firm for 49 years.

The King and Queen were on tour of Clydeside, talking with merchant skippers, dockers' leaders, men and women in the docks and factories.

'We're Trying'

Talking with Mr Patrick Ward, president of the Scottish Transport Workers (the Dockers' Union), and Mr J. C. Maclean, the secretary, the King asked:

"Are you clearing the ships and turning them round quickly?"

"Yes, sir, all our efforts are directed to unloading as quickly as possible," said Mr Maclean.

Captains of the Merchant Fleet, who brought their ships to port despite U-boats and bombers were congratulated by the King and Queen.

"A very great achievement," was the King's comment on the exploit of Captain Rice, of Upminster, Essex, who brought to port a torpedo, fired by a U-boat, which landed on the deck of his ship.

Windsors Rebuff Florida Society

The Duke and Duchess of Windsor caused a sensation in Florida society by curtly refusing to attend a series of banquets and cocktail parties arranged in their honour.

"My country is at war, you know," said the Duke as, gazing at the programme of the parties, he struck his pencil through all but two of them.

On the arrival of the Duke and Duchess at Miami from the Bahamas, the leaders of Florida's opulent society issued a long list of festivities which they said the couple would attend during their four-day stay.

The list indicated that the Duke and Duchess would be dragged into a whirl of non-stop eating, drinking and whoopee among millionaires and social climbers.

But the Duke limited their engagements to one luncheon and one cocktail party on the strict understanding that these will be quiet and unostentatious.

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Civil Aviation In Japan

Civil aviation in Japan is to be developed by a new organisation, the Japanese Aviation Associaton (Dai Nippon Hiko Kyokai) which has absorbed a number of independent organisations.

The new Association will establish air training schools at universities and colleges and 50 local training schools are to be opened at the rate of two a year.

Boys' organisations are to be established in every prefecture for the encouragement of gliding.

Parachute training is to be given to students of middle schools and senior schools.

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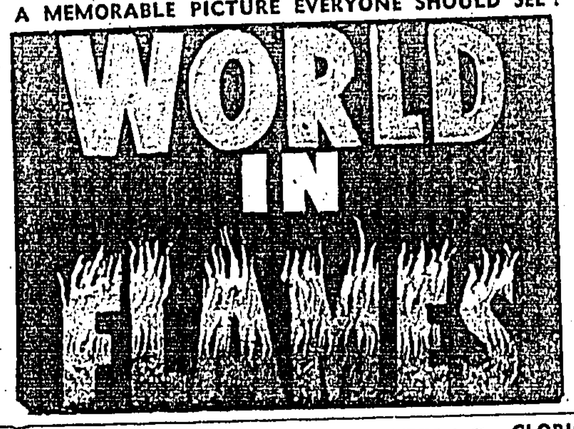

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Counter-Attacks By French

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VICHY, June 17 (UP).—The latest advices state that the French forces have consolidated the positions which they seized yesterday and that French planes are hammering the Free French and British rear lines.

It is officially announced that a French destroyer was sunk off Sidon and that seven members of the crew were drowned during the aerial-naval battle. The destroyer was sunk during the course of the French attack off Beirut and Sidon at dawn on Monday against a British squadron of two cruisers and four destroyers, and following Sunday's aerial-naval battle in which the French claimed that they dispersed the British squadron which was shelling the Lebanese coast.

Vichy Communique

LONDON, June 17 (Reuter).—A Vichy communique on the Syrian operations, broadcast by the Lyons radio to-night, read:

"In the area situated between Jebel Druse and Mount Hermon as well as in the mountainous part of South Lebanon, counter-offensive operations continue.

"On the coast, British forces, deprived of the support of the Fleet which withdrew on the morning of June 16, have developed only slight activity.

"Our air force continued yesterday to attack with bombs the rear of the enemy despite very active anti-aircraft defences.

"Rayak and Homs districts were twice raided by the R.A.F. on Sunday night but there were no casualties or damage."

Blow In Centre

(BY "REUTER'S" CHIEF CORRESPONDENT IN CAIRO)

CAIRO, June 17.—Resistance by Vichy troops in Syria, which it was hoped could be avoided, has now developed and General Dentz's forces have struck a blow in the centre which has led to fighting.

It has, however, made no material change.

The latest dispatches received here to-day report that Merj Ayoum—claimed to have been taken by Vichy troops—is still in Allied hands.

The situation there is well in hand and Allied reserves are available.

Overlooking Damascus

On the coast, the Allies have made little progress beyond Sidon and the position there seems reasonably secure.

There is still fighting south of Damascus, where certain Vichy positions have been captured.

The Allies are now on the hills overlooking Damascus Plain, and are making their way slowly down towards the city.

Syrians and Druses are generally friendly to the Allies.

LATE NEWS

U. S. And Oil For Japan

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

WASHINGTON, June 17 (UP).—The Under Secretary of State, Mr Sumner Welles to-day indicated that the general policy of the United States regarding oil shipments to Japan had not been altered by the intervention of the Secretary of Interior, Mr Harold Ickes, to prevent the shipment of lubricating oil from Philadelphia to Japan.

Other quarters told the reporters that Japan is still able to obtain oil of the categories which are not embargoed from the west coast or other ports.

Rumania's New Restrictions

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

BUCHAREST, June 17 (UP).—By special decree, use of all vehicles is forbidden without special authorisation, gasoline will be rationed and all unnecessary traffic of motor vehicles, even with permits, will be avoided. The city, last night, had the most complete blackout which has been enforced for several weeks.

FOR THE NAZIS—No love and kisses go with this present for Nazis. British sailors on board destroyer somewhere at sea grease torpedo so it will get off easily, in Battle of Atlantic.

This War Is Getting On Nazi Nerves

War has got so much on the nerves of the Germans that they're carrying tablets of sleeping draughts and patent medicines about with them.

Prisoners taken in the raid on the Lofoten Isles carried them, and an expert stated in London: "It suggests that German soldiers are developing nerves and that their morale is getting lower."

Scientific tests on captured equipment indicated that the Germans were getting short of cotton and copper and that a poorer type of alloy was being used.

A pillow case found in a German rescue float consisting of a fabric made from wood suggested shortage of cotton and jute.

"We had heard that the Germans were running short of iodine and vaseline," the expert said, "and a naval medicine chest which has come into our hands contains neither.

"It does not contain any disinfectant either."

To Honeymoon Alone At 17

Because her seventeen-year-old sweetheart cannot leave his war work, Violet Ellen Vaux, aged seventeen, of Kilburn-road, Kingstanding, Birmingham, will spend most of her week's honeymoon alone when she marries.

Violet, who is a machinist, is engaged to George Arthur Cranoy of Sidcup-road Kingstanding, Birmingham.

She said: "Although we will be Britain's youngest bride and bridegroom, both of our families have consented to our marriage because we are so ideally happy.

"I am a good cook and know all about housework."

Tanks Take Part In Big Battle

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are distinctly threatened with being cut off by the operations on the plain above Sollum. They are rushing up reinforcements from the Tobruk area, and it is difficult to prophesy the future course of the engagement.

Jockeying For Position

At the moment, gun carriers, armoured cars and mobile artillery taking part are jockeying for position in a bid to secure a useful jumping off ground in the "triangle."

This area is very useful to whoever holds it and inconvenient to the side that does not.

There has been little doing on the coast and plain near Sollum compared with the really hard fighting in progress on the escarpment above.

GERMANS TO RETALIATE

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confiscation or merely immobilisation.

Some observers suggest that the German Government has not yet completed drafting details of the action it intends to take, and that the term "necessary measures" should be taken to make it plain to the world that it would not accept the United States move without retaliation.

Australian Air Force Decisions

CANBERRA, June 17 (Reuter).—Mr McEwen, Commonwealth Minister of Air, announced to-day that the Government were considering the absorption of women in clerical duties in the R.A.A.F., the release of fit men of fighting age for active service, and an increase of the age limits for ground staffs.

The Government has also decided to reduce the height for entry into the R.A.A.F. to five feet.

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TANKS TAKE PART IN BIG DESERT BATTLE: WAVELL'S STRATEGY

(By "Reuter's" Chief Correspondent in Cairo)

CAIRO, JUNE 17.—ONE OF THE BIGGEST ENCOUNTERS WITH TANKS EVER SEEN TOOK PLACE ON SUNDAY ON THE ESCARPMENT NEAR HALFAYA (HELLFIRE) PASS ON THE EGYPTIAN - LIBYAN FRONTIER, ACCORDING TO REPORTS REACHING CAIRO TO-NIGHT.

RAISING CLOUDS OF SAND, THE TANKS AND OTHER ARMOURED FIGHTING VEHICLES CHARGED, ATTACKED, COUNTER-ATTACKED AND REFORMED IN SURPRISING MANOEUVRES.

British tanks made a wide sweeping movement south of Halfaya Pass, charged up the escarpment and debouched on the fighting ground in the triangle formed by Halfaya Pass, Sollum and Fort Capuzzo.

Reports of this operation, though it was of limited scope, have aroused great enthusiasm and excitement in Egypt because it shows firstly that General Sir Archibald Wavell, whose name has a magic ring for the Egyptians, is strong enough to conduct operations on two fronts simultaneously and secondly, that supplies and equipment, which have been steadily pouring in for months from Britain, America, India and Australia, must now be approaching a point of near adequacy.

At Fort Capuzzo

CAIRO, June 17 (UP).—General Headquarters announced that British troops have penetrated Libya as far as Fort Capuzzo.

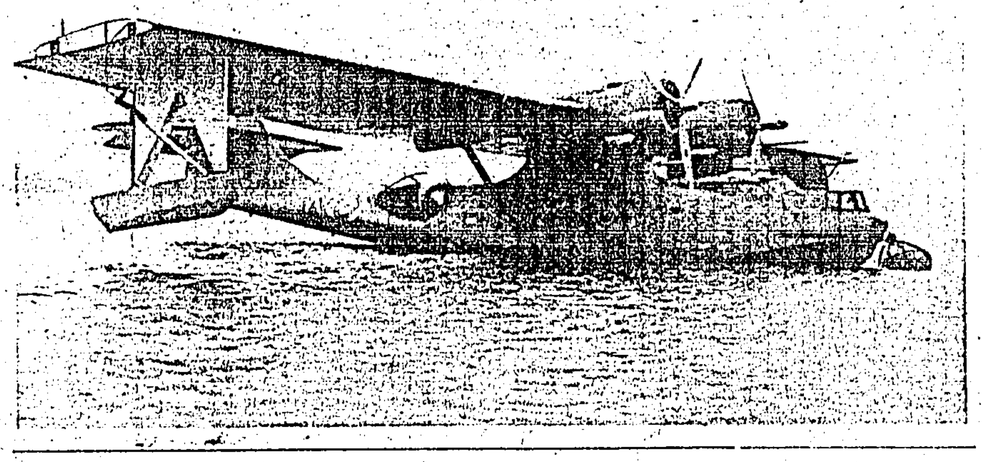
Position At Capuzzo

CAIRO, June 17 (Reuter).—The fighting in the Sollum-Capuzzo-Halfaya triangle looks like developing into a regular battle. The British troops are driving back the Germans and Italians and have got as far as Capuzzo but not necessarily into it,—according—to—military—authorities here.

Germans and Italians are understood to be still at Sollum, but they TURN to Back Page, Column 5

Britain's New Warplane

Yesterday it was reported that a Catalina flying-boat, the latest giant American-made plane to be added to the R.A.F. Coastal Command, had successfully attacked four German planes, and damaged them so severely that they crashed later in Portugal. Here is a striking picture of the new Catalina flying plane, which will be used extensively in operations against U-boats.



Counter - Attacks By French, But Allies Progress Along The Coast

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

CAIRO, June 17 (UP).—To-day's General Headquarters communique states that French troops are making strong counter-attacks at Merj Ayoum and Kuneitra. "Allied reinforcements are now approaching both of these places and heavy fighting is continuing.

"The Allies are making steady progress in the coastal sector of Syria, and they captured several further positions in the Kiswe area."

Merj Ayoum Re-Taken

VICHY, June 17 (UP).—French troops in a counter-offensive have recaptured Merj Ayoum from the Australian troops.

Further Positions Captured

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Nazis Given Some Of Their Own Medicine

Industrial Towns on Rhine Take Tremendous Hammering

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, June 17 (UP).—Giving details of last night's operations, the Air Ministry stated to-day that many bombers had attacked Cologne, Dusseldorf and Duisberg even before the moon shone clearly.

"Soon, there were seen fires on both sides of the river, and one after another of the tall industrial buildings showed up in the glare of the flames."

The Air Ministry added that the ground defences steadily increased the tempo of their fire as the attack developed; "heavy and light flak burst about our aircraft while many searchlights—one observer alone counted 85 of them over Cologne—went into action.

"In spite of the defenders, our pilots got through to their targets."

One pilot, describing the fires at Dusseldorf said that he saw a sheet of flame, apparently a factory or a large warehouse ablaze. In the fires, flare and smoke it looked just like a river; for a moment I thought I was seeing two Rhines."

Over The Channel

LONDON, June 17 (Reuter).—Clouds of R.A.F. fighters carried out a spectacular offensive sweep over the Straits of Dover and the French coast to-night.

Several squadrons of fighters were engaged and for some time the Channel throbbed with the deep unbroken roar of powerful motors.

"In the course of combats, one Messerschmitt-109 was shot down and several other Messerschmitt-109 and-110's were severely damaged. One Heinkel was destroyed on the ground.

"During Sunday night, the harbour at Benghazi, several enemy aerodromes and concentrations of motor transports were heavily attacked. A number of fires were started in the harbour at Benghazi.

"At Bardia, aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm started large fires among enemy vehicles, a number of which were destroyed or damaged.

"Fires were also started on the landing at Derna, Martuba and Gazala, where bombs fell among the dispersed aircraft, many of which are believed to have been destroyed.

"Direct hits were made on military objectives at Bardia.

Syria

"Syria.—Aircraft of the R.A.F. and the Royal Australian Air Force continued to support the ground operations in Syria and to maintain patrols over the supporting units. Our bombers carried out a successful raid on Rayak, damaging the runway and aerodrome buildings and causing a large explosion.

"Australian aircraft machine-gunned and damaged a concentration of enemy mechanical transports near Quenieran.

"A number of Junkers 88's were intercepted off the coast by R.A.F. fighters on patrol over British ships, one of the enemy being shot down and a number of others damaged.

"From all these operations, nine of our aircraft are missing."

Aerial Activity In Syria, Libya

R.A.F. Operations

CAIRO, June 17 (Reuter).—A communique says:

"Cirenaica.—Aircraft of the Imperial air forces were continuously active throughout yesterday in support of the operations carried out by our ground forces. Numerous sorties were made by our fighters to drive off aircraft attempting to bomb and machine-gun our troops, and in many instances the enemy bombers were forced to jettison their bombs without attacking.

MENZIES ON MID EAST STRATEGY

CANBERRA, June 17 (Reuter).—Mr R. G. Menzies, the Australian Prime Minister, in a nation-wide broadcast reviewing the military position, said: "As Germany creeps along the European coast line, the voyage round the Cape supplying the Middle East becomes more tortuous and vulnerable.

"We must fight where and how the enemy compels us. We must stand and fight for the Middle East or else surrender the Mediterranean, extricate the Fleet, yield Iraq and Iran, open the gateway to India, expose French Africa to complete subjugation and make it easy for Spain to give bases in northwest Africa, thus adding a new and deadly menace to the Atlantic and to the whole contact of Britain with the Empire south and east of Suez.

"In the face of these perils, any limitation upon our efforts must go."

Eire's Food Supplies

Synthetic Flour Possible

DUBLIN, June 17 (Reuter).—Eire is experiencing a severe shortage of food for humans and animals, but supplies of flour and bread in the country will be adequate until the next harvest has arrived.

This was stated to-day in the Dail by the Minister of Supplies, Sean Lemass, who announced that it was not improbable that after the next harvest, a certain amount of other cereals may have to be used with wheat to ensure the nation's requirements of flour and bread.

Shipping difficulties would further increase if there was an extension of the war.

Nazi Bomber Which Crashed In Portugal

LISBON, June 17 (Reuter).—Portuguese officials who examined the wreckage of the plane which crashed in flames close to the Spanish frontier early on Sunday say that it was a four-engined German bomber, presumably returning from Gibraltar.

LATEST

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Moscow Calm, But Watchful

Alarmist Reports Not Confirmed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MOSCOW, June 17 (UP).—Alarmist foreign reports regarding the imminence of conflict between Germany and Russia are not supported by any external evidence in Moscow, which is probably the most calm European capital with none of the nervousness that is reflected in the dispatches from the Balkans, Scandinavia or the Near East.

Nor is there any reliable indication of a general or partial mobilisation. The streets, cafes, parks and crowds are normal in the number of young men of military age who would be ordinarily in uniform if hostilities were expected.

This does not mean that the Kremlin is not prepared for any eventuality, preparedness being the theme song in all public utterances. Stalin's warning to "maintain the State so mobilized, that no trick of a foreign foe catches us unawares" has become the classic keynote of all speeches and articles dealing with the international situation.

GERMANS TO RETALIATE

Action Against U. S. Property

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, June 17 (UP).—The official news agency reports that the German Government, in connection with the freezing of German assets in America, has ordered "necessary measures" regarding the property of United States citizens in Germany which will become effective immediately.

It has not yet been revealed what form these measures will take, authorised quarters leaving unanswered the numerous questions such as whether it means outright TURN to Back Page, Column 4

PROSPECT OF LONG WAR

WASHINGTON, June 17 (Reuter).—"You face the prospect of a long war," the United States Secretary for War, Colonel Henry L. Stimson, told the Committee of the House of Representatives to-day, indicating that the war might well last more than four years.

He said that one of the benefits of the proposed St Lawrence Seaway, which would take four years to build, would be protection afforded to part of the route for munitions to England.

Must Prepare

"In my opinion," he declared, "it is necessary to prepare for a very long emergency. We all hope that it will be brief, but it is not safe to act on such a hope in the situation as it confronts us to-day."

There is a very strong chance, he concluded, "of the emergency lasting long enough for the United States to benefit by this seaway."

Capt Roosevelt Rounding Globe

LISBON, June 17 (Reuter).—Captain James Roosevelt, eldest son of the United States President, arrived here to-day ten days behind his schedule on his way back to Washington after travelling 30,000 miles round the globe.

Looking bronze and fit, he told "Reuter": "I have got a pretty accurate general picture of the war situation. Air power is a tremendous if not a dominating factor in this war."

Help For China

Captain Roosevelt, who was unable to discuss military problems, said: "There is a great demand for American materials in the east and although many problems remain unsolved as yet, one can be reasonably satisfied with the material help getting through. Nowhere is help more greatly appreciated than in China where I was impressed by the cheerful confidence of the people."

Japanese Envoy To Britain

Conference In London

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LISBON, June 16 (Domei).—Mr Mamoru Shigemitsu, Japanese Ambassador to London, arrived here this afternoon from the British capital by plane en route to Tokyo. He is expected to leave here on June 25 following a short visit to Spain.

It is understood that the Japanese Ambassador will participate in a conference here with the Japanese Ambassadors and Ministers accredited to the capitals in Western Europe who will assemble to exchange views on the European situation. Those expected to be present include Mr Yakichiro Suma, Minister to Spain, Mr Sotomatsu Kato, Ambassador to Vichy, Mr Yauchi, Minister to Portugal, and Mr Ryushin Mitani, Minister to Switzerland.

Will Return To London

LONDON, June 17 (Reuter).—According to present arrangements, the Ambassador will return to his post in London when his conversations with the Japanese Foreign Minister, Mr Yosuke Matsuoka, have been completed.

The decision to go to Tokyo was taken when it proved impossible for Mr Shigemitsu to see Mr Matsuoka during the latter's visit this year to Moscow and Berlin.

The Ambassador is to fly across the Atlantic and America, and will complete his long journey by sea. He is accompanied by the First and Third Secretaries of the Japanese Embassy in London.

The First Secretary has been appointed to a post in South America and will proceed thither from New York. His place as First Secretary in London has been taken by Mr Ymada.

Huge Boulders Crash On Conduit Rd. House

Three huge boulders, weighing several tons, crashed from the hillside into the residence of the Japanese Consular staff at 7B Conduit Road shortly after 9 o'clock this morning, but fortunately there were no casualties though the damage caused was fairly heavy.

The house, which is next to the residence of the Japanese Consul-General, was occupied by three members of the Japanese Consular staff, but at the time of the incident they were away, only two women servants being present.

One of these servants stated that she was on the roof when she suddenly heard a loud rumbling noise and on looking up saw several huge rocks crashing down from the hillside. Previously she had been washing clothing in the yard and she said that if she had remained there a little while longer she would in all probability have been struck by one of the rocks.

The crash occurred during a heavy downpour. The boulders struck a room on the west side of the bui- TURN to Back Page, Column 5

Japanese Give Up N.E.I. Negotiations

TOKYO, June 17 (Reuter).—The Japanese delegates have decided to leave the Netherlands East Indies following the impasse in the economic talks, according to a Japanese telegram from Batavia.

Prior to this announcement, Mr Yoshizawa, head of the Japanese delegation, had a final interview with the Governor-General of the Netherlands East Indies.

The telegram adds that the delegation will leave Batavia for Japan on June 29.

The prominent newspaper "Hochi Shimbun," says that the Japanese Government should nevertheless continue to urge the East Indies to cooperate with Japan in building an "East Asia prosperity sphere."

Declaring that the Dutch Governor-General's speech to the People's Council on Monday indirectly implied that Japan was one of the colony's enemies, the "Hochi Shimbun" says that Japan must take this into consideration and take determined steps to make the East Indies realise Japan's ideal of a Greater East Asia.

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U. S. And Oil For Japan

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, June 17 (UP).—The Under Secretary of State, Mr Sumner Welles to-day indicated that the general policy of the United States regarding oil shipments to Japan had not been altered by the intervention of the Secretary of Interior, Mr Harold Ickes, to prevent the shipment of lubricating oil from Philadelphia to Japan.

Other quarters told the reporters that Japan is still able to obtain oil of the categories which are not embargoed from the west coast or other ports.

Petain's Appeal

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

VICHY, June 17 (UP).—In a radio speech to-night on the occasion of the anniversary of his assumption of power in 1940, Marshal Petain warned against Communist propaganda, saying "this is no time to seek refuge in bitterness or to sink in dispair. You have not been sold out, betrayed or abandoned. Those who tell you that are throwing you into the arms of Communism. You are suffering and will suffer a long time still because we are not finished paying for our mistakes. Rally with me and we will come safely out of the darkness where we were plunged by our terrible adventure."

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The following Rules will govern the Competition:

1.—The Competition is open to all photographers.
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4.—The right to publish any or all of the entries is reserved to the *Hongkong Telegraph.*
5.—All photographs entered must have been taken in the Colony of Hongkong. Photographs which have been already entered in other Competitions are ineligible.
6.—No responsibility will be accepted for non-delivery of, loss of, or damage to entries.
7.—All entries to be either black, sepia, or toned pictures, and must be mounted. Coloured photographs are ineligible.
8.—Pictures submitted in sepia tones should be accompanied by a smaller print in black and white.
9.—No picture to entered in more than one Section.
10.—Mounts to be only white or cream, must be of one of the following sizes:—10×12, 16×20.
11.—No correspondence will be entered into in connection with the Competition.
12.—Members of the Staffs of the *Hongkong Telegraph* and the *South China Morning Post* are not permitted to compete.
13.—The decision of the Judges shall be final.
14.—At the conclusion of the Competition, entries will be returned to competitors on application at the *Telegraph* offices within seven days.
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NOTICE

This will serve to inform all concerned that information has been received from our Principals that the steamers

President Taft	v-85
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will be delivered to the United States Maritime Commission on completion of their present voyages.

This advertisement will suffice to serve notice that all subsequent voyages of the above-named steamers are cancelled on termination of their current voyages. All passages and cargo booked for such subsequent voyages are hereby cancelled. All passengers and shippers are invited to apply at this office for further information relative to space.

From the foregoing it will be realized that, of the above-mentioned steamers, the ss "President Pierce" v-79 will be the last sailing under the old schedule. A new schedule covering the routes and sailing dates of our remaining steamers will be available to the public in a few days.

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THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE LIMITED

Notice to Shareholders

The Sixtieth Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Wednesday, the 25th June, 1941, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1940.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 11th June to the 25th June, 1941, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
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Hong Kong, 4th June, 1941.

FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

What to do to help a child

Anyone knowing of a child who has been assaulted, neglected, or ill-treated in a manner likely to cause unnecessary suffering or injury to health, or knowing of a parent who is seeking advice on any matter concerning a child, would be doing an act of kindness by communicating at once with—

The Hon. General Secretary, H.K.S.P.C., Old City Hall.

The Inspector, 49, Pokfulam Road, 1st floor.

The Inspector, 82 Stone Nullah Lane, 2nd. Floor.

The Inspector, 12 Sai Yeung Choi St., Kowloon.

The Inspector, 52, Argyle St., Kowloon.

All further steps will be taken, and expenses borne, by the Society.

The Informant's name will be kept strictly private, except in cases where malice is proved.

NOTICE

DEFENCE REGULATIONS 1940

The following rates will be charged for mailing single copies of the following newspapers abroad:—

South China Morning Post
China and Macao
16 cents per copy
British Empire and Foreign
25 cents per copy

The Hongkong Telegraph
China and Macao
16 cents per copy
British and Foreign
20 cents per copy
25 cents Saturdays.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary, issued yesterday, is:

Buyers

Bank of East Asia $71¼
H.K. Fire Ins. $176
Indo-Chinas (Pref) $80
H.K. Docks $15
Hotels $2.90
Realties $2.80
Macao Electrics $18.40
Entertainments $6¼

Sellers

Ropes $7½

Sales

Electrics Rts $11
Macao Electrics $18½

Rumania's New Restrictions

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BUCHAREST, June 17 (UP).—By special decree, use of all vehicles is forbidden without special authorisation, gasoline will be rationed and all unnecessary traffic of motor vehicles, even with permits, will be avoided. The city, last night, had the most complete blackout which has been enforced for several weeks.

DONATIONS TO CAUSES

For Bomber Fund

A total of $2,214,350.00 was reached yesterday by the War Fund inaugurated by the S. C. M. Post, Ltd, with the following donations:

P.E.F.C.—W.J.O.	$ 5
Hongkong & Kowloon Residents' Union	100
"Satan"	25
"Fun and Games in the Home on Saturday Night"	50
"Destroyer Bet"	2
Mr Yu Chung Keung	5
Adrian Fortescue (first donation)	100
The Purser, s.s. President Coolidge	20
Anonymous	300
No. 3 Section, Field Company Engineers, H.K.V.D.C.	100
Hongkong Telephone Co., Traffic Department	15
Guard Room, Mt Austin Barracks	10.10
Eileen and Bill's Pin Table	4.60
China Products Trading Corporation, Ltd.	200
Mr Pino (one cross Alsatian puppy per Mrs Hogg)	5
Mr A. Lam (one cross Alsatian pup per Mrs Hogg)	5
Lhombre Evening (sixteenth donation)	15
Kumsang, crew and passengers	28.60

ANTI-T.B. ASSOCIATION

The Hongkong Anti-Tuberculosis Association gratefully acknowledges the following donations and subscriptions:

Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corp., $2,500; Dodwell & Co., Ltd, $2,000; Gold & Silver Exchange Society, $500; British American Tobacco Co., $500; Taikoo Dockyard & Engineering Co., $500; M. N. Lo, $500; Dairy Farm Ice and Cold Storage $400; Li Po-chun, $200; Mr and Mrs M. K. Lo, $200; China Light & Power Co. Ltd, $100; Sir Shouson Chow, $100; Dr Lo Tze-hoi, $100; Wang Yuen Limited $100; Fung Kong-un, $100; Dr and Mrs Li Shu-pui, $50; W. N. Thomas Tam, $20; Major J. M. Officer, $20; A Friend, $10; 1, 2, 3, $10; F. D. Angus $5; F. C. Mow Fung, $5; Dr (Miss) Cheng Sui-yue, $5; Dr (Miss) Cheng Hung-yue, $5; Dr Hackett, $3; Mrs Hackett, $5; A Friend of the late Mr F. G. Herridge, $5.

SALVATION ARMY

The Salvation Army Headquarters gratefully acknowledge receipt of the following donations, which have been credited to the Annual Appeal for 1941:

Previously acknowledged, $10,000; Miss N. E. Elliott, $10; Messrs A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd, $25. Total to date, $10,035.

ST LOUIS SCHOOL

The Salesian Fathers are deeply grateful for the following kind donations recently received:

H.K. Jockey Club, $1,000; H.K. Football Association, $200; Anonymous, $10.

Empire-wide Flag Day

The British War Organisation Fund wish to warmly thank all those who assisted on the Empire-Wide Flag Day held on June 5, and are especially grateful for the generosity of two anonymous donors who brought the amount collected to the figure of $5,000, which is being sent Home as the Colony's contribution.

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

BANKS	
H.K. Banks $	1,315 n.
H.K. Banks £	76½ n.
H.K. Banks (H.K.) £	79½ n.
Chartered £	8⅞ n.
Mercantile, A. & B. £	23⅞ n.
Mercantile C £	11⅛ n.
East Asia $	71¼ b.
INSURANCES	
Cantons $ x.d.	208 b.
Union $	x.d. 400 n.
China Underwriters $	1 n
H. K. Fire $	176 b.
SHIPPING	
Douglas $	128 n.
Steamboats $	8 n
Indo-Chinas P. $	80 b
Indo-Chinas D. $	60 n.
Shell (Bearers) s/-	42/6 n.
Waterboats $	6.55 n
DOCKS ETC.	
Wharves $	87 n.
Docks $	15 b.
Provident $	5.15 n.
S'hai Dockyards $	25¼ n.
MINING	
Kailan s/-	11/- n.
Raubs $	8 n.
H.K. Mines	1¼ cts. n
LANDS	
Hotels $	3 n.
Lands $	31¾ n.
Lands 4% Debentures	97½ n.
S'hai Lands Sh. $	15½ n.
Humphreys $	6.40 n.
H.K. Realties $	3 n.
Chinese Estates $	98 b.
UTILITIES	
Trams $	10.10 n.
Peak Trams (old) $	7 n.
Peak Trams (new) $	3¼ n.
Star Ferries $	51¾ n.
Y. Ferries $	21.35 n.
China Lights (old) $	6 n.
China Lights (new) $	1¼ n.
H.K. Electric (old) x rts $	21.60 n.
H.K. Electrics (new) $	21 n.
H.K. Electrics Rts $	11 sa.
Macao Electrics $	18.65 s.
Sandakan Lights $ x.d.	11.70 n.
Telephones (old) $	22 n.
Telephones (new) $	8¾ n.
INDUSTRIALS	
Cald: Macg. (Ord.), Sh. $	30 n.
Cald: Macg. (Pref.), Sh. $	25 n.
Canton Ices $	1 n.
Cements $	13¼ b.
H.K. Ropes	7 b.
STORES, &c.	
Dairy Farms $	17 b.
Watsons $	9.70 n.
Lane Crawfords $	x.d. 6.45 n.
Sinceres $	2.15 n
Wing On (H.K.) $	39 n.
Powell Ltd. $	1½ n.
COTTON MILLS	
Ewo Sh. $	35½ n.
S'hai Cotton Sh. 2	265 n.
MISC.	
H.K. Govt. 4%	97½ n.
H.K. Govt 3½% (1934)	94½ n.
H.K. Govt 3½% (1940)	94 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 G$Bds.	28 n.
Entertainments $	6¼ b
Constructions (old) $	1.00 n.
Constructions (new) $	1 n.
Vibro Piling $	7.20 n
Marsmans Inv. (Lon.) s/-	6/3 n.
Marmans Inv. (H.K.). s/-	2/1½ n.

TROOPS LEAVE

Canton Will Be Replaced

SHIUKWAN, June 17 (International).—About five thousand Japanese troops left the Canton area late last week for Hainan Island. They were mostly infantry and cavalry units. The transports steamed out of Canton in broad daylight.

Well informed quarters here do not expect a southern movement yet.

A derelict burning junk was sighted drifting in Lat. 22 degrees 22'N., Long. 115 degrees 37' E., (Approx) at 4 a.m. yesterday. The junk is considered dangerous to navigation.

Dr Kung Reviews Year's Financial Measures

CHUNGKING, June 17 (Central News). — Efforts of the Ministry of Finance to adapt the administration of currency and finance to wartime needs since the outbreak of Sino-Japanese hostilities in 1937 were reviewed by Dr H. H. Kung, Vice-President of Executive Yuan and Minister of Finance, in a speech at the opening ceremony of the Third National Financial Conference yesterday.

According to Dr Kung, the Ministry has conscientiously executed the following ten-point programme:

1. In regard to national expenditure strict economy has been practised. At the same time positive steps have been taken to push economic reconstruction and develop natural resources.

2. In regard to taxation reform, income tax, inheritance tax and wartime excess profit tax have been instituted in order to build up a sound, direct taxation system. Meanwhile, measures have been taken to institute a consumption tax and to readjust Customs, salt and Consolidated taxes with a view to increasing revenue.

3. In regard to the maintenance of the credit of Government bonds the Ministry made payments of interest and repayment of principal on both domestic and foreign loans when they fell due.

Legal Tender

4. In regard to strengthening the reserve of the *fa pi* (legal tender) the Ministry has in recent years purchased gold and silver to increase the cash reserve, centralised the control of foreign exchange and absorbed overseas Chinese remittances. Recently the British and United States Governments concluded with the Chinese Government the Sino-British and the Sino-American Currency Stabilisation Agreement and jointly organised the Currency Stabilisation Fund Board with a view to further enhancing the credit of the *fa pi.*

Banks Organised

5. In regard to strengthening the currency structure a Joint Board of the four Government banks (the Central Bank of China, the Bank of China, the Bank of Communication and the Farmers' Bank of China) has been organised. At the same time provisional regulation for the administration of banks in emergency time were enforced, prohibiting the banks from engaging in business enterprises, hoarding of commodities of trading in the name of agencies or trading or trust departments. Such control measures are intended to prevent profiteering which causes the rise of commodity prices.

6. In regard to the regulation of the supply and demand of commodities, increase of wartime production and maintenance of overseas markets, these have been the tasks undertaken severally by the Trade Commission and the Central Trust, while export trade has been handled mainly by the Foo Shing, Foo Hwa and National Tea Corporations. The products for export are chiefly tung oil, tin, bristles, raw silk and tea.

Local Administration

7. In regard to the supervision of local financial administration the Finance Ministry in recent years has urged the various provincial authorities to abolish within stated periods all taxes prejudicial to productive enterprises and to carry out local financial reforms.

8. In regard to the administration of finance in the war areas the Ministry has, in consideration of actual circumstances, adopted various suitable and practical measures to lighten the economic burden of the people and to forestall enemy economic encroachments.

9. In regard to the promotion of economy savings, positive steps have been taken to encourage the people to buy Government bonds and savings certificates. Simultaneously, foreign and overseas Chinese capital has been utilised to promote productive enterprises and develop natural resources.

10. In regard to personnel management and training the Ministry has established a Personnel Department.

Exchange At A Glance

SELLING	
T.T. London	1/2⅞
Demand London	1/2⅞
T.T. Shanghai	440
T.T. Singapore	52¾
T.T. Japan	102
T.T. India	82⅝
T.T. U.S.A.	24⅛
T.T. Manila	48¼
T.T. Batavia	45¼
T.T. Bangkok	140½
T.T. Saigon	104⅛
T.T. France	—
T.T. Switzerland	102½
T.T. Australia	1/0½
BUYING	
4 m/s L/C London	1/3½
4 m/s D/P London	1/3⅝
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	25
4 m/s France	—
30 d/s India	84⅝
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02½
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	—

Major Baseball

Tigers And Red Sox Split Double Header

NEW YORK, June 17 (UP).—Detroit Tigers and Boston Red Sox split even in a double-header in the American League to-day. In the National, Brooklyn Dodgers nosed out Chicago Cubs 7-6.

Scores were:

AMERICAN LEAGUE	R.	H.	E.
Detroit	6	11	5
Battery: Giebell, Thomas, Newhouser, Sullivan.			
Boston	14	15	0
Battery: Dobson, Wilson, Peacock.			
Detroit	8	10	0
Battery: Gorsica, Benton, McKain, Trout, Tebbetts.			
Boston	5	9	4
Battery: Wagner, Ryba, Fleming, Pytlak.			
Chicago	8	11	0
Battery: Rigney, E. Smith, Tresh.			
New York	7	9	2
Battery: Peck, Stanceau, Murphy, Dickey.			
NATIONAL LEAGUE			
Brooklyn	7	11	0
Battery: Wyatt, Casey, Owen, Franks.			
Chicago	6	12	1
Battery: Lee, Page, McCullough.			
Boston	3	10	0
Battery: Johnson, Hutchins, Berres, Masi.			
Cincinnati	5	7	0
Battery: Derringer, Lombardi.			
New York	6	9	2
Battery: Hubbell, Danning.			
Pittsburgh	3	10	2
Battery: Sewell, J. Bowman, Lopez.			

Model Airplane Exhibition Postponed

The first exhibition of model airplanes under the auspices of the Hongkong Model Airplane Association, originally scheduled to take place on June 14, has now been postponed to August 12, when it will be held simultaneously with the second exhibition.

Detailed measures regarding the exhibition, now being drafted by the Association, will be made public shortly.

To Honeymoon Alone At 17

Because her seventeen-year-old sweetheart cannot leave his war work, Violet Ellen Vaux, aged seventeen, of Kilburn-road, Kingstanding, Birmingham, will spend most of her week's honeymoon alone when she marries.

Violet, who is a machinist, is engaged to George Arthur Craney, of Sidcup-road Kingstanding, Birmingham.

She said: "Although we will be Britain's youngest bride and bridegroom, both of our families have consented to our marriage because we are so ideally happy.

"I am a good cook and know all about housework."

A case of suicide by hanging occurred at the Argyle Street Internment Camp about 3 a.m. yesterday when Li Cheong, 30, Chinese soldier internee, was found hanging by a rope. He had been dead for some hours.

Tax Anomaly Rectified

LONDON, June 17 (Reuter).—The increase of value of benefices, contracted to be received tax-free, is to be counteracted by new proposals announced to-day by Sir Kingsley Wood, Chancellor of the Exchequer.

Certain lucky individuals, notably Company Directors and recipients of alimony are being paid tax-free. These individuals received, on the basis of £5,000 tax free, the same amount as those who, earning £60,-000, were liable to tax.

The readjustment now planned will see that the burden of the tax falls on the payee instead of on the payer.

British Labour Still Behind Mr Churchill

LONDON, June 17 (Reuter).—Support for continuation of the political party truce agreed to between the Conservative, Liberal and Labour Parties in Britain when Mr Winston Churchill became Premier was given to-day at the annual conference of the Amalgamated Engineering Union, whose membership of over 500,000 includes many of Britain's armament workers.

The Union's President, Mr Jack Tanner, said: "I do not see anyone who can get a greater majority of the people behind him than Mr Churchill. He is a man of outstanding character and can get the unity of the whole people of this country.

"The Labour Party is satisfied that the only way in which this war can be conducted under the present circumstances is by having this truce."

By 28 votes to 23, with one neutral, the conference defeated a resolution calling for the immediate repudiation of the political truce and of suspension of local and national elections.

The report of the Union's Executive Committee, which will be laid before the conference later this week, states: "Now is not the time for internecine conflicts. Our part is mainly to use all available powers on the munitions production field. We must continue the collaboration with the Government to this end."

RADIO

ZBW, 355 metres (845 k.c.) and 31.45 metres (9,520 kilo-cycles)

Third Talk by Fr Ryan On "Some British Poets"

Radio Programme Broadcast by ZBW on a Frequency of 845 k.c's. and on Short Wave from 1-2.15 p.m. and 8.30-11.15 p.m. on 9.52 m.c's. per second.

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12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 Variety.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Programme Summary.

1.03 Billy Mayerl (Piano) and Orchestra.

1.20 Duologues by Arthur Askey and Richard Murdoch.

Talking Shop (Askey and Murdoch); Blacking Out the Flat (Askey and Murdoch).

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 Compositions of Vaughan-Williams.

Is My Team Ploughing....Keith Falkner (Vocal) with Piano acc.; Fantasia on a Theme by Thomas Tallis....The B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra cond. by Sir Adrian Boult; Silent Noon....Stuart Robertson (Baritone) with Piano acc.

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 Indian Pogramme.

6.45 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.47 Nat Shilkret and His Orchestra and Ina Suez (Soprano).

7.17 Violin Solos.

Serenade (Arensky); Intermezzo (Mascagni—from 'Cavalleria Rusticana')....Albert Sammons with Piano acc. by Gerald Moore; Zapateado, Op. 23 (Sarasate); Hungarian Dance No. 7 in A Major (Brahms-Joachim)....Yehudi Menuhin with Piano acc. by Marcel Gazelle.

7.30 Compositions of Purcell.

8.00 London Relay—The News.

8.15 London Relay—'Questions of the Hour'.

8.30 Mayerbeer—Ballet Suite "Les Patineurs".

Entre—Pas des Patineuses—Pas de Deux—Pas de Trois....Sadler's Wells Orchestra conducted by Constant Lambert.

8.40 Studio—"Some British Poets" No. 3: Burns.

Father T. Ryan, S.J.

9.00 Local Time Signal, Announcements and Programme Summary.

9.02 Music and Songs from the Films.

9.32 Light Orchestral Selections.

Spanish Fantasy (Molto)..Andres Molto and His Orchestra; Grand Viennese Opera Potpourri (arr. Robrecht)....Grand Symphony Orchestra.

9.45-10.00 News in French (on Short Wave only).

9.45 The Gay Nineties Singers.

10.00 London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

10.15 Dance Music.

11.00 London Relay—'Correspondence Column'.

Talk by Sidney Horniblow.

11.15 Close Down.

Shanghai Broadcast

Broadcasts dealing with conditions in Norway under the Nazis are included in talks delivered by Mr K. A. Persen, every Sunday at 9.30 p.m., Shanghai Daylight Saving Time, over Station X.M.H.A. at 445 Race Course Road, Shanghai. This is the same station from which Mr Caroll Alcott, the famous American news commentator, delivers his broadcasts.

The station is operating on a wavelength of 600 kilocycles or 500 metres and on a short-wave of 25.29 metres or 11860 kilocycles.

GEORGE CROSS RECIPIENT

Saved St Paul's

LONDON, June 17 (Reuter).—One of the men of the famous bomb disposal squad who saved St Paul's Cathedral last September by removing a one-ton high explosive delayed action bomb, buried in the south-west corner of the Cathedral, was decorated by the King with the George Cross at a recent investiture at Buckingham Palace.

He was Corporal George Wyllie, to whom fell the task of the actual discovery and removal of the bomb.

When the bomb was dug up, the removal squad, commanded by Lieutenant Robert Davis, who also received the George Cross, loaded the bomb on a lorry and drove it to Hackney Marshes some miles away, where it was exploded.

Was a Grocer

Corporal Wyllie is a bachelor of 31 years and was a grocer in Scotland until eight years ago. Before then he was working in an aeroplane factory in England.

As the King pinned the Cross on his tunic, a Court official read out an account of his deed "for conspicuous bravery...his untiring energy, courage and disregard for danger was an outstanding example to his comrades."

The King asked Wyllie how long it took to remove the bomb.

"Three days, sir," was the reply.

"Stray" Bombs On Chungking

SHANGHAI, June 17 (Reuter).—The bombing of foreign property at Chungking on Sunday by the Japanese planes was "purely accidental" a Japanese naval spokesman told foreign correspondents here to-day.

He said that he had learned from Headquarters of the Japanese Navy that some of the bombs went astray and officials were trying to find out the reason.

It is learned that among the buildings damaged were the offices of Colonel William Meyer, United States Military Attache, and the International Club. Bombs also fell near the United States Embassy and the U.S. gunboat Tutuila.

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Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

INWARD AIR MAILS

Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 24th June ....July 1.

Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 8th July. ....July 15.

OUTWARD AIR MAILS

Monday, June 23

Air Mail by Air to Rangoon to connect with the "British Overseas Airways."

K.P.O. and G.P.O.

Reg. ......June 23, 4 p.m.
Ord. ......June 23, 4.30 p.m.

Tuesday, July 1

Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A., and Europe via "Pan-American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services."

K.P.O.

Reg. ....July 1, Noon.
Ord. ....July 1, Noon.

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Reg. ....July 1, Noon.
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Tuesday, July 15

Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services."

K.P.O.

Reg. ....July 15, 5 p.m.
Ord. ......July 15, 5.30 p.m.

G.P.O.

Reg. ....July 15, 5 p.m.
Ord. ....July 15, 7 p.m.

Juliana In Washington

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, June 17 (UP).—Princess Juliana of the Netherlands and her husband Prince Bernhardt are due in Washington at 5.30 p.m. to-day and will be met by Major General Edwin Watson, Presidential Secretary and Military Aide, and Mr Vanley Woodward, Acting Chief Protocol of the State Department.

The President and Mrs Roosevelt will be hosts at a small informal dinner party of 12 or 14 persons. Mrs Roosevelt stated that the President was eager to talk to the royal visitors who will be White House guests overnight and depart from Washington Wednesday evening.

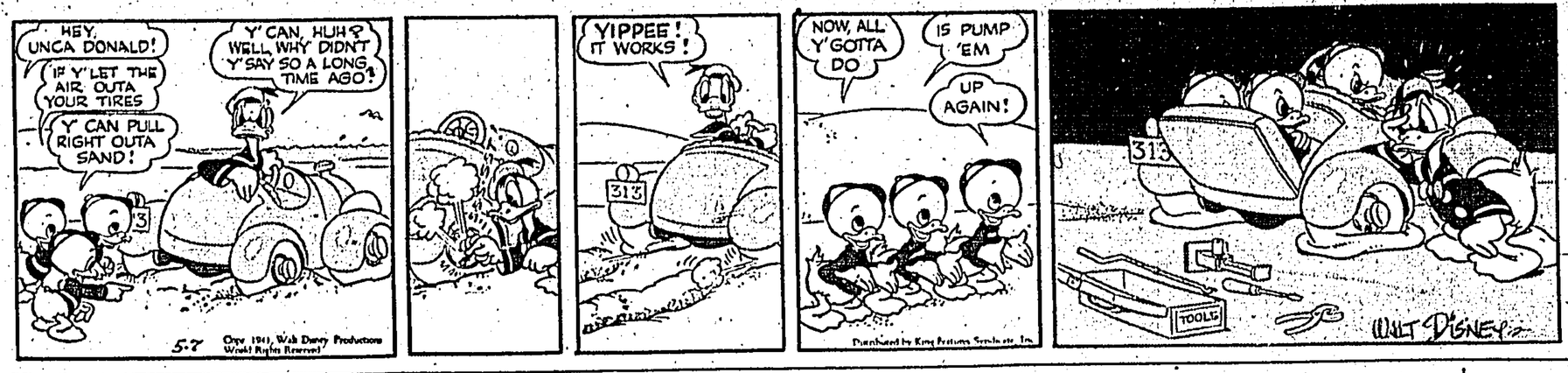
Nazis Attempting To Wriggle Out Of It

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, June 17 (UP).—Authorised quarters to-day announced that the German reply has been despatched to Ireland answering the recent protest regarding the bombing of Dublin, which stated that a careful investigation failed in any way to confirm the fact that German planes were responsible.

DONALD DUCK

By Walt Disney



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CONTRACT BRIDGE — How to Play AND How to Win

BY JOSEPHINE CULBERTSON

Bad "Reverse" Bid

ALMOST everyone in this enlightened age knows about "reverse bidding." Hence, it is scarcely necessary to say that when you start out with one diamond (for example) and partner responds with one spade, you need a really good hand—substantially over a minimum—to "reverse" and now bid two hearts.

North, in to-day's hand, made a bad reverse bid, and as a result a bad slam contract was reached.

Match-point duplicate.
Both sides vulnerable.
North dealer.

	♠ Q J 10 3 ♡ A K 9 5 4 2 ◇ — ♣ K 7 2	
♠ 8 7 ♡ Q 7 3 ◇ K 10 9 6 4 2 ♣ 10 5	N W E S	♠ A 9 6 4 2 ♡ 10 8 ◇ 8 7 ♣ J 8 6 3
	♠ K 5 ♡ J 6 ◇ A Q J 5 3 ♣ A Q 9 4	

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1 ♡	Pass	2 ◇	Pass
2 ♠	Pass	6 NT	Pass
Pass	Pass		

North's two spade bid was wrong on two separate counts. For one thing, it is almost always wise to rebid a six-card major suit before mentioning a four-card major; for another, the two spade bid was a "reverse," and North should have had about one more honour-trick to justify it.

South might well have gone a bit slower toward his slam, but in view of his excellent hand he cannot be blamed for feeling that, after North had reversed, there must be a splendid play for twelve tricks.

West opened a spade. East won and returned a diamond. Declarer finessed, and that was that!

As I have said, the contract was far from sound, but, as a matter of fact, it could have been made by proper play plus a good guess.

Declarer should have realised that East would not have returned a diamond if he had held the king. Dummy had no diamonds, hence East would scarcely give declarer a finesse that he could never take for himself. The proper play was to win East's diamond return with the ace and lead the heart jack through West. The latter would cover and the king would win. Now the success of the contract would depend entirely on declarer's guess of the next heart play. He could finesse against the ten in West's hand, or could play for the drop of the ten-spot from East. The latter plan would win, of course, and considering East's play of the eight-spot on the first heart lead, this would be the correct decision—unless East had false-carded.

To-morrow's Hand

Rubber bridge.
North-South vulnerable.
North dealer.

	♠ A K Q 6 4 ♡ A 8 2 ◇ 9 ♣ A K Q 5	
♠ J 10 9 5 ♡ 6 ◇ 10 4 3 2 ♣ J 10 9 3	N W E S	♠ 7 3 ♡ K 10 7 4 ◇ A K Q J 7 5 ♣ 8
	♠ 8 2 ♡ Q J 9 5 3 ◇ 8 6 ♣ 7 6 4 2	

How should this hand be bid?

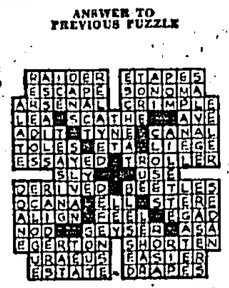
Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

1—Backless chairs
7—Do without
12—Wind instrument
13—Stringed instruments
14—Swedish name
15—Checking device
17—To wit
18—Concerning
19—Grand lady
20—Painful
22—Icelandic epic
24—Droops
27—Venerable (abbr.)
28—Grain (pl.)
30—Meadow
31—Exist
32—Back of neck
34—Issue forth
36—Nervous twitching
38—Is (Latin)
40—Pre-college school (col.)
42—Short song
43—Far down
45—Port at mouth of Red Sea
47—Carry
49—Hold back
51—Engineer's degree
52—Hawaiian bird
53—Pressed
56—Prefix: before
57—Fashions
59—Sow again

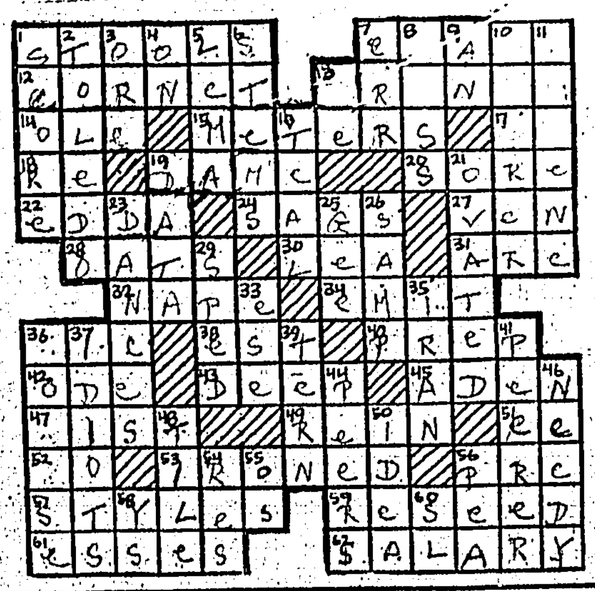
ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE



61—Small worms
62—Wages

DOWN

1—Twenty
2—City in Ohio
3—Unworked metal
4—Without stopping
5—Girl who loved a swan
6—Parts of plants
7—Transgression
8—Strikes lightly
9—One
10—One who shouts
11—Ascetic Jewish sect
13—Hebrew letter
16—River duck
19—Facts
21—Greeted with applause
22—Irons
25—To the right
26—Hulled corn
29—Hurried
33—Compass point
35—Persia
36—Knobby
37—Imbeciles
39—Sea bird
41—One who stares
44—Equals
46—In want
48—Baked clay
50—Mental image
51—Legal thing
53—Dish
55—Vegetable
58—Forked pipes
60—Without place (abbr.)



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Raff Slang

. . . . . by John Macadam

WHAT do you make of this?

"Chiefy, I expect a brown type, and don't take umbrage if he looks as if he has a lot of lakhs. We may have to give him charpoy, but it's all right with the flit commode, and he might have the pukka gen about that H.Q. flap. . . ."

Freely translated, that observation from one R.A.F. man to another would be: "Flight Sergeant, I expect an Army man, and don't be offended if he looks as if he has a lot of money. We may have to give him a bed, but it's all right with the flight commander, and he might have the real news about that headquarters panic."

Yes, these wars make words. The R.A.F. (Raff, if you please) are responsible for most of them. Young pilots never speak of Army men. They always speak of brown types. They themselves are always boys. The boy who sits around in the institute ogling the girls is a Canteen Cowboy or a NAAFI Romeo.

THEY are queerly respectful about their business. They never talk about flying, or use words like flip. Always it is a aviate.

And you never aviate a crate or a kite or any of these civilian slang words. You aviate an aircraft, a machine, or, more particularly, a Daffy (Defiant), a Wimpy (Wellington), a Hurrybox (Hurricane), a Spit (Spitfire), a Lizzie (Lysander), a Blenburger (Blenheim), Old Faithful (Anson), a Maggie (Miles Magister).

When you land, you hit the deck and, if you damage the plane in landing, you bend it. If you are tired of it all, you are browned off, and, to a lesser degree, a member of the Jabo Club. That means that you are Just About Browned Off.

The boys award their own crosses, in these three grades:

Wooden Cross—For bending one aircraft and staying alive.

Iron Cross—For bending two aircraft and staying alive.

Stone Cross—For bending three aircraft and not staying alive.

News is always gen, good or authentic news is pukka gen. The opposite is duff gen. If you have clearly understood your orders, you have them buttoned up. When you are all set to start you are teed up. You organise. You don't disapprove. You take a dim view.

HERE are some others:—

Snake Charmers—Band.

Spout—Gun barrel.

Pyrotechnic or rocket—A reprimand.

Prang—To damage an aircraft.

Ticketty Boo—Perfect.

Wad—A piece of NAAFI cake.

Groupie, Wingcom, Chiefy—group commander, wing-commander, flight sergeant.

Mae West—Life-saving jacket.

Brolly—Parachute.

Sprog—Recruit.

Binder—One who annoys.

Gone for a Burton—Died or killed.

Shaky Do—Nearly a serious accident.

Irons—Your knife, fork and spoon.

Drone—Air gunner.

Tear off a strip—Admonish.

ONE of the most useful words of the lot is kerdumpf. Originally it indicated the bumping noise made by an aircraft when it landed. Now it is an exclamation of surprise, or an ejaculation of emphatic agreement, a sneer—or almost anything.

You'll hear one of the boys maybe shooting a line (that is, telling a tall story). He will be received with a chorus of Kerdumpf. . . Kerdumpf . . . Kerdumpf . . . It is devastating.

Most of the slang words are affectionate. The padre is a devil dodger. An aircraft hand is an erk, tanks are roller skates, an Italian plane is an Eye-tie. You don't have several beers; you have a couple of jugs. The sea is the drink.

Sometimes the derivation is rather involved. For instance, Pilot Officer Dickensen was pronounced to look like W. C. Fields. From that you get Gracie Fields, and the pilot officer is now generally known as Gracie.

When all looks black and things are in a mess, everybody says Situation Normal and carries on with the job.

There's a peculiarly R.A.F. way of saying everything except Kamerad.

WOMEN IN WARTIME—NO. 2

Women in the New Britain

BY ELIZABETH ANDREWS

Welsh National Organiser for the Women's Section of the Labour Party.

WILL women win economic freedom in this war?

After the last war women won their political freedom.

They became M.Ps., Cabinet Ministers, aldermen sheriffs, mayors, council chairmen, county, urban and rural councillors, magistrates, lawyers, preachers.

They served on Government Commissions, and entered industries and professions hitherto closed to them.

Now we come to this war—and the future.

Many questions are asked by thinking women. What will happen to us when the war is over? What part will we play in the New Britain?

Shall we be driven out of industry and the professions or kept on to reduce men's wages, or to keep them out of employment?

When shall we get equal pay for equal work? When will women get economic freedom?

These questions need attention now.

Women are called to work of national importance that needs intelligence, skill and courage.

They are called from the kitchen to fill up every kind of position, and are expected to work well with little training.

Never Again!

No ban on married women in war-time! They are called upon to man our industries, to keep the home fires burning and to keep up the health and morale of their families.

Married women, doctors, nurses, teachers, are called back to the job for which they were trained but which they had to give up on marriage. The country had been all the poorer in peace-time because of this restriction.

It must never be imposed again.

The Government is prepared to establish day nurseries for toddlers and feeding centres for school children to help the women who go into industry.

These war-time measures could be extended and improved in peace-time.

Day nurseries, nursery schools and the feeding of school children are reforms that should have been made long ago.

Mothers and children would benefit in better health and development. We must press for these now and develop them after the war.

Women who have enjoyed economic freedom before marriage find it very difficult to be dependent on their husbands for every penny they need and spend.

Heavy Toll

In working-class homes, it is taken for granted that mother does all the sacrificing—she often prides herself on it—but the toll in ill-health is a heavy one.

Economic freedom for the mother in the home may appear to many far-fetched, but it demands some consideration.

It is time that the home maker had a square deal. Home making has been the Cinderella of all the industries.

The early Socialists believed in the economic freedom of woman. The war is helping to bring it about—temporarily. It is up to woman to keep it, permanently.

The best way to achieve this is for every woman in industry and the professions to join trade unions and stand alongside their men in the demand for better conditions generally.

SETTLEMENT OF STRIKE

Paint-Scrapers' Demands For Higher Wages

In connection with the report that about 2,000 paint-scrapers in local dockyards and other places went on strike last Thursday following a demand for an increase of 40 per cent. in wages, the following facts were obtained from Mr B. C. K. Hawkins, Labour Officer, yesterday:

During May, the Paint-Scrapers' Guild of No. 81 Bulkely Street, Hunghom, put forward certain requests for increases in the daily wages paid to paint-scrapers. The Labour Officer arranged a meeting between the representatives of the Guild and representatives of the paint-scraper contractors on June 3. The question of an increase was discussed, and a further meeting fixed for June 10.

At this meeting it was pointed out by the principal contractors that in November, 1940, they had increased their contracts with the sub-contractors by seven per cent. They now offered to increase their contract rates by 20 per cent. It should be noted that this increase is on the whole of the contract rates and not merely on that proportion of the rates which represents workmen's wages. The Guild pressed for a further increase, and the Labour Officer suggested that the principal contractors should immediately increase their contract rates by 20 per cent.

Contractors' Agreement

This would bring the paint-scrapers employed by these contractors on to equal terms with the paint-scrapers employed by the big European dockyards. It is common knowledge that these dockyards are at present considering the question of further wage increases and the Labour Officer suggested that the principal contractors should guarantee to grant to their workmen exactly the same increase as might be agreed between the dock companies and their workmen. The principal contractors immediately agreed to this suggestion, but the Guild representatives said that they would have to consult their members. On Wednesday, June 11 the Guild representatives saw the Labour Officer and stated that between 80 and 90 per cent. of their members were quite prepared to agree to the above terms. They stated, however, that a small minority were not satisfied, and they asked the Labour Officer to see those men personally and explain the position to them. The Labour Officer agreed to do this on Wednesday evening, but the Guild said that it would be impossible to get hold of the men by that time and suggested that Friday morning would be the most suitable hour. On Thursday, June 12, the paint-scrapers went on strike.

This was a most extraordinary action in view of the fact that so large a percentage of the workers were said to be satisfied with the terms which had been agreed by their Guild. It would appear either that the majority of the workers were not fully aware of the agreement reached by the Guild or else that they were being intimidated.

On Friday, June 13, the Labour Officer issued a full statement of the case and of the principal contractors' offer to the Chinese Press and also caused a notice in Chinese to be displayed outside the Guild premises. On Saturday, June 14, all the men returned to work.

Murder In Macao

Macao, June 17.

Hiding in the crowd round the *Sai Nam Yat Po* office to-day, an unknown gunman assassinated Mr Chiu Yat-ngok, who was recently appointed by Canton to be Magistrate in Chungshan district.

The gunman was among the crowd outside the office reading the bulletin boards and fired several shots at Chiu as he alighted from a car, one striking him in the head. His bodyguards were taken completely by surprise and the panic stricken crowd prevented them from firing back. In the confusion the gunman escaped.

Chiu was taken to hospital immediately but was dead on arrival.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

Wedding

News has been received by cable of the marriage, on June 11, at St John's Church, Napier, New Zealand, by the Rev. S. C. Francis, B.A., of Pamela, only daughter of Mrs S. G. Hollington, of Napier, to the Rev. John Bulter Davies ("Jock"), only son of the Rev. Herbert Davies, M.A., and Mrs Davies, of Canton and Cheung Chau. The bridegroom was born in Hongkong and received his earlier education at Chefoo, before going to Otago University, New Zealand.

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JUNKET TO TOKYO

THE so-called state visit to Japan of Mr Wang Ching-wei, No. 1 defector from the Government of China, closes one door and opens another. The Japanese nominee is being received by the Emperor of Japan, this in itself being tacit approval of Dr Honda's recent vehement utterances that a settlement of the China Incident must be sought through the medium of the Nanking administration and not by any other means. Dr Honda, Tokyo representative in Nanking, preceded Wang to Japan "to report" only a few weeks ago and it would now seem that Wang had demanded something absolutely final in Japanese recognition of his status to kill constantly recurring rumours of peace overtures to Chungking. The answer is in the visit to Tokyo. Once having presented him to their Emperor as the leader of China, the Japanese can hardly withdraw their patronage.

It is evident that the Japanese would have dearly liked to see Axis recognition of the Nanking Government before proceeding to this extreme stage; alternatively they would have preferred to have met a little encouragement from the feelers sent out to Chungking. However, the uncompromising attitude of General Chiang Kai-shek, which events have proved had the support of Chungking enabled Wang Ching-wei to demand extrication from the humiliating position into which he had been placed.

When not one reputable Chinese, let alone a foreign country, followed Japan's lead by giving him "face" Wang was strengthened by the knowledge that his fall would be insignificant compared with the loss in prestige that Japan would suffer. Accordingly he has the confidence to insist that Japan commit herself to sustain his star and the Tokyo "junket"—to use an appropriate American word—is the outcome.

It remains to be seen whether the Nanking leader will find his star in the ascendant there.

BRITISH YOUTH IN TWO WARS

By SIRDAR IKBAL ALI SHAH,

The well-known Muslim author

IF ONE COMPARES THE YOUTH OF BRITAIN during the years of the War of 1914-18 with the young people who are engaged in the struggle of to-day, certain marked differences become almost at once apparent, particularly to the Oriental mind. The greatest contrast, perhaps, is to be found in the spirit of excitement which prevailed almost throughout the former struggle, and the unruffled attitude to present events of the young manhood and womanhood of this island.

There was something almost vociferous about the manner in which the youth of Britain approached its ordeals in 1914. Indeed "The isle was full of noises", and patriotic sentiment ran high.

The music halls, the temples of this highly-strung and pugnacious cult, furnished songs so exuberantly martial as to surprise a foreigner, who could scarcely credit the cool and collected British people with such uproarious militancy.

The shrines of the dance were tumultuous, not only with the newly discovered American "jazz", but with that "whoopee" which made the fatalistic Oriental feel that Europe had found a new affinity with the spirit of Africa.

The English Miss, dropping her somewhat nun-like character and vestal bearing, appeared in a new veiling of sunset-hued garments and made free with cosmetics. The last sad rags of Victorianism seemed to be thrown to the wild winds of festival.

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Liquor in abundance heightened the feverishness of the proceedings. The cocktail with its deleterious mixture of vintages and spirits was certainly responsible for much of the rowdiness of the war years, as was the American habit of carrying a flask in the hip-pocket. These things made for a freedom of manner before unknown to the country.

Parents stormed and raved but saw that they could make no impression. The ferrule of authority had slipped from their grasp, and they solaced themselves with the formula that the country, and humanity along with it, had gone to the dogs. Elderly ladies muttered Apocalyptic warnings about "scarlet women" and "the mark of the Beast," and clergymen preached on the text: "Let us eat, let us drink, for to-morrow we die," and indicated the writing on the wall with dramatic forefingers.

The bare truth was, I think, that men on leave from the mud and blood of the trenches naturally craved for a relaxation as violent as that of the life-in-death they had been facing. The girls, always keenly studious of male moods, quickly sensed this prevailing spirit and found themselves in sympathy with it.

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But the aftermath was a sad one. In spite of whoopee and cocktails Britain won the war. It left in its train, however, scores of ruined careers. Thousands found themselves unable to put the brake on and continued the headlong follies of war-time in the piping times of peace. Broken lives and hearts strewed the paths of the post-war years. The legends of these were told in every household.

The youth of to-day heard whispers of how Uncle Bill or Aunt Ethel, debauched by their-war-time experiences, had never been able to get into step again, and shuddered at the thought of these "horrible examples."

This may explain to some extent why the present war is being waged in a spirit of such grim and sober strenuousness.

Of course one remarks quite a deal of reckless gaiety and even a certain incidence of folly, but that, I am sure we will all agree, is much more sporadic and incidental than general. However, the dread of past example by no means explains everything. In the early months of the war a certain attitude of "Well, if we must," was apparent in some quarters. Indeed, it was to be found in places up to the moment of the Franco-Belgian debacle.

After Dunkirk a marked change became apparent in the manner and bearing of our youth. Britain was fighting this war single-handed. It was going to be no picnic, but had resolved itself into a life-and-death struggle between the British Commonwealth, the natural upholder of human freedom, and a mob of gangster brigands whose sole intention was to make the world subservient to their will and hale it into bondage.

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The young people, with their lives before them, were thinking furiously.

They saw and saw steadily, that unless the world were made safe from the German menace any prospect of future happiness they might have would be slender enough.

The abominations perpetrated in Poland, Holland and Czechoslovakia, entered like iron into men's souls, and revealed what would happen to the people of Britain did the Nazis succeed in getting a footing there. To some extent it stopped the flow of gaiety at its source, though it did not quench the natural buoyancy of the British people in face of danger.

In any case, it diffused a deeper spirit of gravity not only through all classes, but particularly among the young men in the Army and the young women in the allied services.

For although the young folk of 1914-18 realised to the full that in Germany they were fighting a vicious and vengeful enemy, they were under the misapprehension that these poisonous qualities did not reside so much among the German people as among the military and their leaders, particularly the group which surrounded the Kaiser.

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This generation, on the contrary, is well aware that the homicidal spirit of Germany's leaders is fully endorsed by the German people at large, who are by nature sadistic and bloodthirsty, as well as animated by the ungenerous passions of envy and revenge.

In a word, the thought of the perilous position of humanity as a whole has assuredly reacted upon the youth of Britain, making them determined and watchful. And I think, too, the lessons of the past have been thoroughly taken to heart and their dangers fully recognised.

Britain will prevail, but it will be because of her sobriety, thoughtfulness and calm courage in the face of danger unexampled.

PRIVATE LIFE OF A PRIVATE: Another Chapter

It's a Lovely Weapon!

"EVERYBODY'S got light machine-guns," says Charlie the Chancer.

Hitch, the Wigan Sergeant, looks at him in a deceptively simple, ox-like way and says: "What d'you mean, 'Everybody's got light machine-guns?' "

"What I say, Sarnt. Ain't Jerry got 'em?"

"He has," says Sergeant Hitch.

"Well, I don't see what all the excitement is about this here Bren gun."

"It gives you a high rate of fire," comes the answer. "It's dead accurate. It's got no shock of recoil. A ten-year-old could fire it, take it to pieces, and put it together again.

"It's little and don't need any cover worth mentioning. What more do you want? Do you want it to go out and take prisoners, you silly Twillip?"

"No, I do not want it to sing and dance to me, Sarnt. But if *every*body's got 'em, what's the points? Where do they *get* us? We fire Brens at them: they fire Brens at us."

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"A lawyer," says Sergeant Hitch, sadly. "That's what you are. Listen. In the last war, did the Jerries run about naked with spears?"

"I couldn't say, Sarnt."

"What does this horrible Twidget mean, he couldn't say?"

"I wasn't there, Sarnt, and no more was you."

"All right. Do the Wops fight, with bows and arrers?"

"They might do," says Charlie the Chancer. "I never seen them."

"Well," says the imperturbable Hitch, "they don't. See? The Wops fight with the same weapons that we use. And are we beating the Wops?"

"Maybe we are."

"Ther's no maybe. We are. See? And what are we beating them with, do you think? Death-rays?"

"Maybe we are."

"Well we're not, see? We're beating 'em with the same weapons as they use. Why, Wavell, out there, he had nothing at all to start with: he just bluffed 'em at the beginning. Well, why are we beating the Wops? Because we're free men, see?

"The same goes for us against Jerry. So long as we've got the same sort of equipment as he's got, we can beat him all right because our heart's really in the fight.

"See, you wad-scoffing Twommet? So don't talk like a soppy great Snurge, you silly sausage. The Bren is a lovely weapon.

"Now put your fags out and let me hear you run over these groups of parts. You, name me the four groups."

"Butt group, body group, piston group, and barrel group," says Charlie.

"We ought to have death-rays," he adds.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty

"I didn't sleep a wink all night trying to think of new ways to show Phil that he means nothing at all to me!"

Hongkong Photographic Society

Annual Meeting And Dinner

The Annual General Meeting and Dinner of the Photographic Society of Hongkong, held last evening at the Peacock Lounge, Cafe Wiseman, was a most successful function. Some fifty members and guests were present. During the business part of the evening, the following Officers are elected for the ensuing year: President: Mr Walter C. Clark, A.R.P.S.; Vice-President and Secretary: Mr R. A. Bates; Hon. Salon Secretary: Mr H. A. McKay; Hon. Treasurer: Mr H. Brailsford; Members of Council: Messrs. Francis Wu, A.R.P.S., W. J. Richards and Dr A. V. Greaves.

The retiring President, Dr A. V. Greaves, presided at the function. The walls of the Peacock Lounge were decorated with about 80 photographs fully representative of the work of the Society, making a really excellent show of photographic skill. In addition to the prize-winning pictures out of the 286 prints exhibited throughout the year at the Society's monthly meetings, the members' entries for June were shown, as well as the entries for the June "Special Subject," which was "Hands." Some most striking and skilful compositions were on view in all these classes.

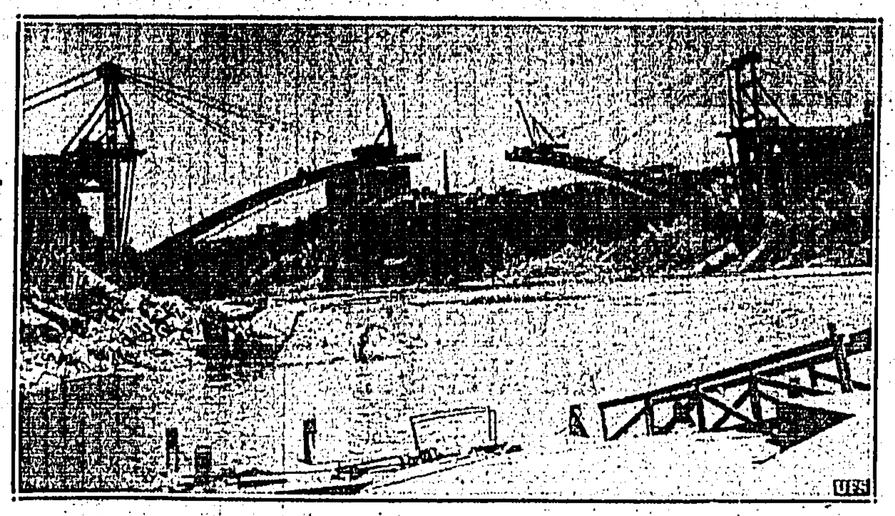
After-Dinner Lecture

During the course of the evening Dr Greaves drew attention to the forthcoming First China International Salon of Photography which the Society is sponsoring to be held in December this year. Enquiries for entry forms have already been received from all over the world, and there is every promise that the Salon will provide an exhibition of photographic skill well worth seeing.

After dinner the assembled company was entertained to a lecture and show of lantern slides (in both colour and monochrome) by Professor Robertson, which was obviously very much appreciated.

The Photographic Society of Hongkong is a flourishing body, which has just weathered a difficult year with flying colours. It is a contributor to the *Camera Craft* competitions in America and at the latest count, headed the "Advanced" Section for small clubs with 16 points to the next best 5—a sufficiently large lead to make the Club's chance of winning this year's trophy well within the bounds of possibility.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffry Northcote, K.C.M.G., has just honoured the Society by becoming its Patron, which is an indication both of His Excellency's interest in the Socity's activities as well as of its vitality. Another successful year is confidently expected under the Presidency of Mr Clark, who will be, as always, most ably and efficiently assisted by this year's Vice-President and Secretary, Mr. Robert Bates, one of its keenest and most hard-working members.



NEARING COMPLETION—With the closing of the gap between the American and Canadian sections of the new Rainbow Bridge at Niagara Falls, this great 950-foot arch will be finished this month. Cables above are temporary. Later they will be removed to give an unobstructed view of the famous falls.

BOB BLATCHFORD, AT 90, WORRIED

Ninety years old, Mr Robert Blatchford, soldier, Socialist, journalist, is worried . . . about the future. They called him from the green-house in his Sussex garden so that he could tell about it.

He walked firmly, confidently and unaided up the path to his well-loved library.

Bob Blatchford—he was always Bob to the thousands who gained inspiration from his vigorous writings—wonders what is going to happen after the war.

"The outcome of the war I take for granted," he said. "I never had any doubt that we should win.

"One Hope"

"But it grieves me to think that human nature has sunk so low as to wage the kind of war that is being waged now.

"The peace will be more difficult to win than the war.

"The one hope, as I see it is in the further cementing and the continuance of the friendship between the British Empire and the American continent."

The warning comes well from a man who has foreseen the future with almost uncanny accuracy since long before the Great War, which he pronounced as inevitable in 1909—a prophecy for which he was subjected to a barrage of abuse.

The pacifists again hurled their epithets at Bob Blatchford when, throughout the 1930s, he repeated his warnings of inevitable German aggression.

He wrote, in 1935: "Germany is a formidable, revengeful, unscrupulous Power, armed and ready to pounce."

And, in 1936: "The horror of 1914 is closing in on us again, but it has grown bigger and more devilish. . . ."

"Smiled Sadly"

Bob Blatchford smiled sadly when he was reminded of this.

"I don't blame people for taking little notice," he said.

"I don't suppose we shall ever cease to make the mistake of thinking that the whole globe is peopled by Britishers."

Mr Blatchford thinks there cannot be a return to the old way of living after the war.

Asked what he would like people to remember him as—Socialist, or journalist. Bob Blatchford thought for a moment, then—"I don't know that I want them to remember me at all," he said, "but I like to think I am still Sergt. Blatchford."

Yugo-Slavia's Protest On Record

LONDON, June 17 (Reuter).—The British Government in a Note to the Yugo-Slav Minister in London, places on record "their sense of indignation at the shameless manner in which Yugo-Slavia has been mutilated and parts of her territory subjected to foreign rule in gross violation of the true feelings of the Yugo-Slav people."

The British Government takes note of the Yugo-Slav protests at the dismemberment of the country by the Axis. It recalls the Yugo-Slav protests of May 14 and 28 calling attention to the illegal proclamation of "Independent Croatia," which represented a camouflaged annexation to Italy of Croatia and the "brutal dismemberment of the Slovene people."

The British note declares these acts by the German and Italian Government null and void, and states that the British Government will continue to support the Government of King Peter.

PAYMENT OF CHINESE CREWS

LONDON, June 17 (Reuter).—The Parliamentary Secretary, Col J. J. Llewellin, at question time in the House of Commons to-day, disclosed that the Ministry of Shipping had discussed very fully with Mr Quo Tai-chi, former Chinese Ambassador and now Chinese Foreign Minister, the question of payment to Chinese seamen and added: "I am glad to say that there have been no recent difficulties with crews in this country."

Food Scarce In Rumania

ZURICH, June 17 (Reuter).—Re-introduction of black-outs in Bucharest is reported by the Budapest correspondent of the "Basler Nachrichten."

He adds: "Shortage of several important foodstuffs and other articles in common use is beginning to make itself felt in Bucharest."

The shortage, the correspondent says, involves meat, fats, oil, coffee, tea, rice, flour, soap, textiles and leather.

New Zealand Shipbuilding

WELLINGTON, June 17 (Reuter).—The placing of a contract for building four minesweepers at Port Chalmers to British Admiralty plans was announced by the New Zealand Minister of Supply, Mr Sullivan, to-day.

BOMBER FUND DONATIONS

Two substantial donations to the Bomber Fund have been received as follows: Messrs Linstead & Davis, $2,000. Mr C. Bernard Brown, $2,000. Both are second donations.

Shortage Of Power In Shanghai

SHANGHAI, June 17 (International).—As the Shanghai Power Company has notified picture houses to curtail power by 75 per cent., movie theatres may have to close down.

An appeal is to be made by owners of picture houses to the Shanghai Municipal Council and the Shanghai Power Company not to enforce this decision, lest the public should be deprived of their main source of entertainment.

Fewer Workless

LONDON, June 17 (Reuter).—The unemployed in Britain numbered 200,321 on May 12, which is nearly half a million fewer than May 20 last year, and nearly 30,000 less than the previous month's figure.

Robin Moor Depositions

Roosevelt To Study Survivors' Stories

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, June 17 (UP).—The depositions of the eleven survivors of the steamer Robin Moor who landed in Brazil arrived from Pernambuco by plane to-day, are being brought to the United States by a member of the United States Embassy, Mr Phillip Williams. They will be studied immediately by President Roosevelt for further details beyond the brief resume sent last week.

After conferring with Mr Sumner Welles, Under-Secretary of State, the President or Mr Welles may make a statement condemning the sinking in the strongest terms.

Meanwhile, the United States Consul at Capetown, Mr James Denby, has sent a sketchy report of the 35 other survivors who arrived on board an unidentified British craft. He is expected to file a more detailed report later and also take depositions from the survivors.

A Bandit's Ignominious Capture

KWANGCHOWWAN, June 17 (Wah Kiu Yat Po).—Fu Yung-mou, the notorious bandit chief of the Luichow Peninsula, has been caught in Kwangchowwan, it is officially announced.

Fu who was the head of the so-called "One Hundred Men Gang" had ravaged Luichow. He was forced to escape to Hoihow in Hainan before the Japanese invasion of the island as a result of the strict Chinese bandit suppression measures enforced in south-western Kwangtung.

With the fall of Hainan to the Japanese, Fu supported the Japanese and acted as their agent after secretly returning to Luichwo, where he smuggled wolfram and tung-oil with armed forces from the Chinese territory to the Japanese.

Only recently several of his gang were caught in Kwangchowwan. They were believed to be involved in a burglary case early this year.

Hide-Out

In order to resume his activities in the leased territory, Fu Yung-mou secretly leased a wooden cottage near the shore at Fort Bayard last month under a disguised name. He was involved in a dispute with the landlady of the house on June 11, which led to his arrest by the French Police who identified him by his ivory private seal bearing his own name and a notebook which were found in his possession.

Two new revolvers, some bullets, and a bundle of banknotes to the value of NC$3,000 were discovered in his luggage. He is said to have worn a bullet-proof waistcoat.

It is reported that in his notebook, the number of arms, the names of his gang, and his connection with the Japanese were clearly recorded.

Contention For Prisoner

Reliable quarters here understood that the Japanese tried to offer bail for his release and the Chinese authorities requested his handing over to the Government of Kwangtung in Shiukwan.

It is recalled that Fu Yung-mou, once offered his loyalty to the Chinese authorities, but it was later proved that his intention was false.

GARRISON FOR AZORES

VICHY, June 17 (Reuter).—A detachment of soldiers has left Lisbon for the Azores to reinforce the naval base at Ponta del Gada, states a Lisbon despatch.

The sailors took with them a quantity of war materials.

A contingent of troops from Lisbon has already arrived at the Azores, according to a despatch from Angara do Heroismo.

Cripps Sees King

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, June 17 (UP).—Sir Stafford Cripps, British Ambassador to Moscow, had a lengthy audience with the King to-day and it is understood that they discussed the Soviet situation.

The Prime Minister, Mr Winston Churchill, also had an audience with His Majesty.

CANADA'S WAR EFFORT

NEW YORK, June 17 (Reuter).—"With the enemy at her gates and approaching our shores, there will be time enough to check on the costs and credits when we all know whether the world is to be slave or free," said Mr W. L. Mackenzie King, the Canadian Prime Minister, to-night, referring to Britain's shortage of Canadian money which "we have told her not to worry about."

He was speaking in New York to associated Canadian organisations.

"Our people went to war for the sake of Canada but not for Canada alone. We went to war for the sake of Britain, for the sake of North American civilisation which we are proud to defend, and for the sake of that humanity which is above all nations. Against total war we have brought and shall bring our total effort."

"The value of Canadian shipments of food, raw materials and war equipment to Britain," he continued, "will, it is estimated, reach $1,500,000,000 in 1941.

"Apart from goods sent to Canada, Britain has needed already $1,000,000,000 to cover Canadian purchases, Britain has paid Canada about a quarter of this in gold, while Canada herself has supplied the remainder in Canadian dollars which Britain needed."

He predicted that the end of the war would find the British Commonwealth and the United States "on each other's side, united more closely than ever in one great endeavour to undo the wrongs which have been done to mankind."

Bond With America

PRINCETOWN, June 17 (Reuter).—"Canada and the United States shall for ever walk togther as the best of good neighbours" said the Canadian Prime Minister, Mr Mackenzie King in receiving an honorary degree at the Princetown University to-day.

Mr King is on a brief visit to the United States.

He told the graduating class, "between you and us is a community of thought and ideal and purpose. Our common disdain of fleeting things that will pass, and our common love for eternal things that will remain."

KREISLER WILL PLAY AGAIN

Discharged From Hospital

NEW YORK, June 17 (Reuter).—Fritz Kreisler, the famous violinist, was discharged from hospital to-day and his condition was described as good.

Audiences may expect once again to hear him play with all his matchless art, for his wife stated that he will play again "as he has always played."

Kreisler, who is 66, was knocked down by a motor car in New York seven weeks ago and was taken to hospital suffering from a fractured skull and internal injuries.

Invisible Contact Lenses For Eyes

An interesting lecture on and demonstration of invisible contact lenses, in vogue in America and Europe in recent years, but something entirely new to Hongkong and the Orient, was given by Dr Renald Ching, eye specialist, before the Chinese Medical Association, Hongkong Branch, at the Chinese Merchants' Club yesterday.

According to the speaker, to-day there are thousands of people wearing contact lenses. It is said that the U.S. Navy requires its officers who have to have their sight aided, to wear them, and German parachute troops are using them.

Passing around a specimen of the contact lens, Dr Ching explained that they are made of transparent plastic, 60 per cent lighter than glass, and non-breakable. "The whole lens can be easily inserted or removed by oneself," he said. "Its presence is hardly felt, it causes no irritation, and it is invisible. Eighty five per cent of people wearing spectacles can wear them comfortably."

Dr Ching was wearing the invisible lenses during his talk.

Australian Air Force Decisions

CANBERRA, June 17 (Reuter).—Mr McEwen, Commonwealth Minister of Air, announced to-day that the Government were considering the absorption of women in clerical duties in the R.A.A.F., the release of fit men of fighting age for active service, and an increase of the age limits for ground staffs.

The Government has also decided to reduce the height for entry into the R.A.A.F. to five feet.

Greek Naval Units With Britain

LONDON, June 17 (Reuter).—A cruiser, seven destroyers, two torpedo boats and five submarines of the Greek Navy have reached Alexandria and have now joined the British Mediterranean Fleet, announced a senior officer of the Greek Navy in a broadcast from London to-day.

There were two calls on the Kowloon Fire Brigade yesterday but both were small fires and did not take more than a few minutes to extinguish.

Washington Is "Boom Town"

America's gigantic defence programme has transformed Washington from a dull city of staid bureaucrats into the gayest and most expensive capital in the world.

A tiny hotel room costs £4 a night, champagne (at £3 a bottle) flows like water, and queues wait to get into night clubs.

It is known as "Boom Town." Workmen are busy on scores of new buildings.

One reason for the fantastically high cost of living is the arrival of scores of millionaires, who are giving their services to the Government for a nominal salary of a dollar a year.

SELF-SACRIFICE CALL TO CLERGY

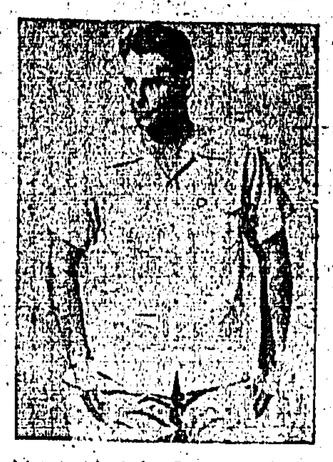
A call for practical self-sacrifice by the clergy, so as to set about rebuilding a Christian order of society in the modern world, has been made to clergy of the Church of England by the Company of Mission Priests.

This body has been formed under the auspices of the three largest religious communities for men in the Church of England. Its aim is to tackle the main pastoral problem of the Church, the numerical inadequacy of the priesthood.

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Lang, has given his approval to the movement. The membership of the Company is at present 13. They all accept very small stipends and live together in houses of the artisan or lower middle class type.

At an informal meeting held recently in London it was decided to embark on further recruiting so that pastoral work in some of the new housing areas near industrial centres could be undertaken. Clergy, who join the Company accept a life of voluntary poverty, and membership, therefore, is for practical purposes limited to the unmarried.

A NEW LEISURE SHIRT



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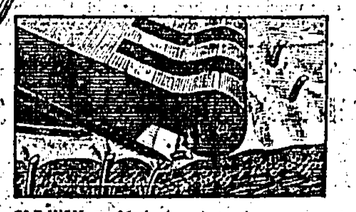

OLD WAY . . . Notice how the tooth-type razor guard fails to flatten and stretch the skin taut enough to hold the whisker upright. It bends over when the blade hits it which causes the "pulling" sensation. Also, its "combing" teeth tend to create ridges which become nicked and cause that smarting, burning after-shave discomfort.

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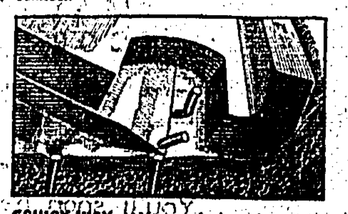

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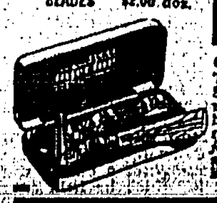

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Around The Courses

Useful Hints From Professionals' Play

Knowledge Of Local Rules Essential

Misconceptions At Kowloon

(By "Birdie")

AMERICA, at the moment, is undoubtedly the home of golf, and from the stars that brighten the otherwise black firmament of world golf come periodic items of news that are a boon to a writer. In this land where players are so numerous and so great it must be a simple tonic and lesson for the average golfer to wander around and watch the pros at play.

Mr Average Golfer, however, is usually a happy-go-lucky fellow—ever striving for better results (he wouldn't be a golfer otherwise) but not caring too particularly to personally prosecute over-zealous research into the subject of swing, rhythm etc., etc.

Let someone master the methods and demonstrate and Mr Average Golfer might be willing to do something about it. But for most people pros aren't as plentiful as all that nor are they available, so the second best is the study of books and pictures.

A golf journalist in America recently made an effort to epitomise the outstanding features of some of the best over there, and a summary of his summary was this.

Watch Ben Hogan's flick of the wrists in the making of his shots. It almost deceives the eye to follow, but it is the fount from which he draws his power. It is a direct parallel to boxing, to have the weight ready to throw into a punch. All the best are relaxed before hitting the ball.

On the putting green, study the line—even the way the grass is cut, for the ball can be deflected by blades of grass.

Watch the pro go into a sand trap. He does not do so blindly. He treads his way feeling the firmness of the ground, debating whether it is better to blast or take the ball cleanly out of the sand.

Watch Sam Snead drive. The muscles of his neck are like whipcords at the moment of impact, and though it looks all so easy, there is every ounce of the necessary weight and strength supplied to the shot.

Watch Byron Nelson hit a long iron. The ball travels low, almost level with the ground, and when it lands jumps to the left instead of the right. It is comparatively simple to put back-spin on the ball and make it jump to the right—if you can do the other you are nearer the top.

Gene Sarazen plays without wasted time or effort. If he is going to miss the ball he misses it quick, for a over-long concentration on what goes to make the shot invariably results in a too tense muscle somewhat or other to the detriment of the stroke.

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THERE can be no over-estimating the value of a knowledge of local rules. For quite some weeks, now, I have been playing at Kowloon in ignorance of two very important ones.

The first was an amendment to the Rules of Golf, No. 11, which deals with the removal of obstructions.

Rule 11 reads: "Any flag-stick, guide post, implement, vehicle, bridge, bridge planking, seat, hut, shelter or similar obstruction may be removed . . . A ball lying on or touching such an obstruction, or lying on or touching clothes, or ground under repair, or a drain cover, hydrant, hydrant cover, or exposed water pipe . . . may be lifted and dealt with without penalty.

"If the player's stroke be interfered with by any such obstruction which is immovable and which is within two clubs' lengths of his ball, the ball may be lifted and dropped . . . without penalty."

On the rifle ranges there are quite a number of exposed pipes, and concrete fixtures and on all previous occasions I had dealt with the ball as under the Rule 11. But the local rule at Kowloon is that the ball must be played where it lies—even in a concrete nullah!

There were reasons for this. Rule 11, apparently, had been so abused that the Committee formulated the local rule to avoid differences of opinions.

At the long 3rd, too, which is on the left of the main nullah, I had always thought that the ground immediately in front of the tee was out of bounds, for the ground to the left of the nullah is generally so described. It was not until it was pointed out that if that were so one would be *driving from out of bounds* that I realised the erroneous conception.

For some considerable distance along this nullah, there is a border of sand. A ball in the nullah is picked up and dropped under penalty of one stroke.

But it was quite a set-back the other day to be told by one of the older members of the Club that he was not sure that the ball should not be dropped *in* the sand.

It didnt seem reasonable that after having incurred a penalty through going in the dyke one must incur another by dropping the ball into the sand!

This, however, has been cleared up, for the stipulated distance of three clubs' lengths from the nullah is supposed to take one outside the area of the sand. Hence one is permitted to drop on the fairway.

Since then I have carefully conned the local rules, for, as in the case of Rule 11, they assume paramount importance.

Gadget to control the head. Perfected by Francis Marzolf, professional at the Wyandot Country Club, and Roy Kirk, a member, it guarantees to make one hit 'em straight.

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Roy Kirk, one of the inventors, shows how it acts in control.

H. E. Morriss's Success Over Derby Distance

NEWBURY, June 8 (Reuter).—Annatom and Sunray, Derby runners, failed to gain places in the Coronation Cup over a mile and a half yesterday, the issue being fought out by Akerhalter 7-2, Hippius 15-8 and and Lovely Rim 11-4, who finished in that order.

Annatom ran ahead of Thoroughfare, another Derby candidate. Annatom took Thoroughfare's place in the Berkshire trial stakes over a mile and a half, which attracted 10 Derby candidates, and which was **won by Mr H. E. Morriss's Chateau La Rose, a half-brother by Chateau Bouscaut to Pasch and Paques, out of the mare Pasco.**

No Outstanding Horse For 1941 Derby

India And Far East Interests

LONDON, June 17 (Reuter).—Though naturally lacking much of the peacetime glamour, Derby Day, whether in peace or war, is still Derby Day and the war will recede to the background for two minutes to-morrow when 21 colts clash in the supreme test for three-year-olds over a mile and a half at Newmarket for the second year in succession.

The runners are only a moderate lot and in the absence of any outstanding champion like Blue Peter or Bahram the race presents the most open appearance in years.

The race is full of interesting possibilities and the result will be eagerly awaited throughout the world, as usual, particularly in India and the Far East.

Indian Owners

Morogoro, owned by the Maharani Sahib of Kholapur, is splendidly bred and has sufficient form to suggest a great chance of becoming the third grey colt to win the turf's blue riband and enabling the owner to be the third woman to win in the 161 years history of the race.

Another fancied challenger is Annatom, owned by Prince Alikhan, who is at present serving in the army in India. Further Indian interest will be centred in the outsider Camperdown, owned by the merchant, Sir Victor Sassoon.

Far East Interest

Far East racing enthusiasts will undoubtedly be hoping for Harry Morriss, Shanghai business man to repeat Manna's Derby victory in 1925, with Chateau la Rose, one of the only two horses in the race to have won over the Derby distance. The other is Suncastle, owned by Lord Portal, which is likely to be installed a last minute favourite.

Memories of the famous Ormonde, winner of the Derby, St Leger and Two Thousand Guineas in 1886 will be revived if the Duke of Westminster's Lambert Simnel wins. Ormonde made the Duke's father's colours famous. Lambert Simnel won the Two Thousand Guineas in convincing style but his stamina over a mile and a half is still an unknown quantity.

Probables And Final Call-Over

LONDON, June 17 (Reuter)—Probables and final call-over for the Substitute Derby which will be run to-morrow were:

Probables

Single Court (Cliff Richards), Royal Academy (Gethin), Cuerdley (Jones), Mazarin (Bartlam), Devonian (Perryman), Selim Hassan (Beary), Valdavian (Herbert), Starwort (Joe Taylor), Firoze Din (Stephenson), Annatom (Arthur Wragg), Morogoro (Harry Wragg), Owen Tudor (Nevett), Throughfare (Sam Wragg), Chateau La Rose (Bridgeland), Suncastle (Pat Beasley), Orthodox (Denis Smith), Ptolemy (Ephraim Smith), Camperdown (Lowrey), Lambert Simnel (Elliott), Sunny Island (Carey) and Fairy Prince (Line).

Final Call-Over

5/1 (t & o) Lambert Simnel.
11/2 (t & o) Suncastle.
6/1 (t & o) Morogoro.
10/1 (o) Devonian, 21/2 (t).
100/9 (o) Chateau La Rose, 100/8 (t).
100/9 (o) Orthodox, 15/1 (t).
100/7 (o) Starwort.
100/6 (o) Throughfare.
18/1 (t & o) Ptolemy.
20/1 (t & o) Fairy Prince.
22/1 (t & o) Annatom.
22/1 (o) Camperdown.
25/1 (t & o) Cuerdley.
25/1 (o) Owen Tudor, 33/1 (t).
33/1 (t & o) Mazarin.
33/1 (o) Sunny Island.
40/1 (t & o) Royal Academy.
40/1 (o) Feltes.
50/1 (o) Valdavian and Selim Hassan.
66/1 (o) Single Court.
100/1 (o) Firoze Din.

Boxing Star Is Born

Harry Lazar Beats Dave Crowley On Points

THE BIG FIGHT of the most ambitious war-time boxing promotion was a fiasco—but a boxing star was born.

Eric Boon, British lightweight champion, weighed nearly a stone over his best fighting weight for his contest with Kid Berg. He struck some heavy blows, but at least two that were illegitimate, and he was disqualified in the second round.

A New Star

BEFORE this disappointment the crowded Coliseum, whose ample stage as well as the auditorium was used for seating, saw 18-year-old Harry Lazar (Aldgate) defeat Dave Crowley (Clerkenwell) on points.

Lazar, in his first fight against a top-notcher, fulfilled all the expectations held of him.

Most impressive, apart from the youngster's snappy counter-punching and riding-out of a clinch, was the manner in which he held a master at in-fighting. Crowley, badly punched about in the second round, stood off all through the third round and was boxing on the retreat in the fourth.

Boon Debacle

USUALLY a slow starter, Boon began to throw his superfluous weight about from the gong and he had Berg on his knees in a few seconds. Berg looked worried but buckled into the fight with his fists flying as only Berg can make them fly. At the end of the round the fight held the promise of a real thriller.

Early in the second round a punch which appeared palpably low, caused Berg to bend and groan. The referee was unsighted, but only a minute passed before a similar blow ended the fight.

Grand Gala At V.R.C. To Aid War Funds

THE GRAND GALA in aid of the Bomber Fund and the British Fund for the Relief of Distress in China which was arranged tentatively for the end of this month between the Combined Chinese and the Combined V.R.C.-Y.M.C.A. has been definitely fixed for July 26.

This was decided at a meeting of representatives held last night.

The Chinese have appointed Mr Ho Siew-um, Chinese Bathing Club, as the convener and have decided that heats will be necessary before their team is selected.

Points will be awarded as follows—Individual events 3, 2 and 1; relays or team events 3 and 0 and Water-polo 5 and 0. Two swimmers will represent each team in the individual events and one team in the relays.

A change has been made in the original programme. It has been decided to drop the 200 yards backstroke relay for teams of four and substitute a 400 yards relay for four men and four women.

SIGNALS UNBEATEN IN WATER-POLO TOURNAMENT

Signals maintained their unbeaten record in the water-polo tournament yesterday when they beat Navy A 3-1 in a thrilling match in the Army pool. Signals were full value for their win and Dignan, who is their leading goal-scorer, found the net twice as the result of breaking clear. McCann scored the third.

Navy were handicapped in that their forwards rarely took full advantage of opportunities.

Fine Display

Bennett, in goal, gave a grand display and was beaten only once, a backhander from Rutter passing just inside the post. Bedford and Morgan made a staunch pair of backs, and Hunt performed capably at centre-half, although he could have broken away on occasions.

Dignan, Allen and McCann were an elusive trio of forwards and Navy's defence had their work cut out in holding them in check.

Navy marked close in defence, but their full-backs, Cullum and Willis, were not quite fast enough off the mark and were consequently handicapped against the quicker breaking Signal forwards.

Rutter gave one of his best displays this season and together with Paul, who was head and shoulders above the others, was the backbone of the Navy.

Signals.—Bennett; Bedford, Morgan, Hunt; Dignan, Allen, McCann.

Navy A.—Birch; Cullum, Willis; Rutter; Carter, Paul, Halfyard.

Win For M'sex "B"

MIDDLESEX "B" deservedly triumphed 5-4 over 5th A.A. Regt. The latter were weakened by the absence of Page and their regular goal-keeper.

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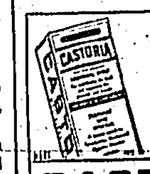

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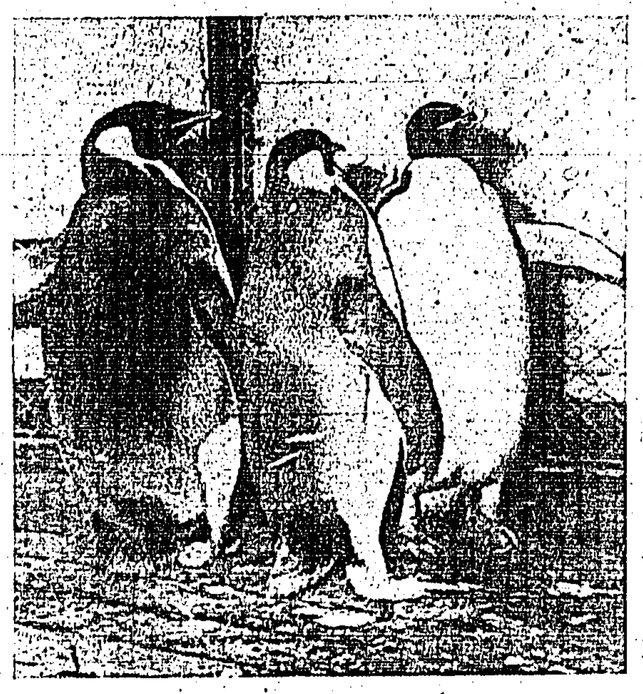

These are rare Emperor penguins, only members of the species in the United States. They were brought to New York by the Byrd expedition, which recently returned from the Antarctic. The penguins are so big that at a distance they are often mistaken for human beings.

THEY FOUND HIM TOO LATE

They found him, his arms flung protectively round two children. The children were not his own, for Thomas Arthur Benn married only a few months ago. He always loved children, and hoped that soon he would have at least one of his own.

He was a Liverpool police constable, and when a boy shouted to him, "There's a house on fire!" he hurried to the place.

Five people were trapped inside. He sent for the fire brigade then pushed his way into the smoke-filled hall.

He found eighteen-year-old Maria Campbell already overcome by smoke, so he picked her up, carried her to the window and dropped her into the arms of the people below.

The staircase was already blazing, but Benn took a chance and ran up.

The father James Campbell, had also collapsed. The constable, coughing and choking dropped him also to safety.

Too Late!

He searched blindly for the others and found them at last—the mother and two children—Patrick, aged fifteen, and Annie, aged nine.

Then a great gust of acrid smoke billowed up the stairs and into the stifling room.

Faintly down the street sounded the clang of a firebell.

Constable Benn put his arms round the children . . . and that is how the firemen found them five minutes later.

Just four minutes too late.

Canadian Pacific Man's New Post

Assigned recently to a new post in connection with Admiralty work in Montreal was R. Robert Liddell, superintendent engineer of Canadian Pacific Steamships Ltd, in Vancouver for the past 11 years.

Formerly a chief engineer with the Canadian Pacific's Atlantic ships, Mr Liddell was on the Empress of Ireland when she was lost after a collision with a tanker in the St Lawrence more than 25 years ago.

During his term in Vancouver, he made several trips to China to superintend winter overhaul operations at the Kowloon Docks in Hongkong.

Coloured Mice From Britain

Fancy mice in a wonderful variety of colours are being bred in England for export overseas. Black, white, chocolate, blue, or in broken colours, they can be trained to do all sorts of interesting things.

Strange as it may seem, ladies all over the world have especially taken to this hobby. They experiment with particular shades and combinations of colours that take their fancy, and even in wartime they can obtain their basic breeding stocks, together with valuable advice on colour heredity, from the English livestock organisations.

Breeding experiments have also been carried out with birds, and the Lion Head Goldfinches which were recently shipped to South Africa have aroused great interest there. No improvement is needed, however, to that charming songster, the English Nightingale, specimens of which have lately been sent to the United States.

Rabbit Breeding

In the last few years there has been an enormous fillip in rabbit-breeding, and the English have evolved very fine strains of the Angora, noted for its wool, and the Chinchilla Rex, Havana Rex and Ermine Rex, these being fur-bearing animals. They have a much denser fur than the natural varieties, and one recent shipment alone consisted of 2,000 head for a fur farm in California.

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Addis Ababa Simmering Down To A Moody Calm

ADDIS ABABA is simmering down to a moody calm. The white women and children are now perfectly safe, under British military control, and many of them sit about the lounges of this hotel—furtively listening to Rome radio—or besiege the British security officers with pleas, protests or complaints, thus wrote a "Daily Express" reporter soon after the recapture.

They are talkative and self-assured as they rub shoulders with British soldiers in the streets and cafes. General Cunningham, in printed posters plastered round the town, has promised safety to those who behave well. So more and more Italians are swarming into the capital.

I saw Abyssinians kneel with tear-stained faces to kiss the Ethiopian flag at a ceremony here.

Axis "art"

In their sacred national buildings, in the centre of the town, I found that Fascists had decorated the walls with flamboyant "New Axis" art—bounding women warriors and young athletes hurling airwards.

In the throne room of the King of Kings blue shields of three-ply wood had been hung. Each commemorated a Fascist victory in the conquest of Ethiopia. Some one had stacked them neatly in a corner—"faces to the wall."

The last printed copies of "Corriere del Impero," printed at the end of March, speak of more English towns being "Coventrated" by the Nazi Air Force.

The editorial "pep" talk says: "Consider as light the burdens you are enduring, and the bigger ones you are going to endure to-morrow."

Well-lighted, Addis Ababa itself has been remodelled, expanded and largely rebuilt. But it still straggles crazily through the famous eucalyptus groves. First-rate roads wind between mud huts and lofty stone buildings.

Aosta's House

The Duke of Aosta lived in a sort of monster pagoda that looks like a national art gallery. A fine bronze head of Dante is about the only Italian thing left. Aosta cleaned out everything down to his notepaper.

Mussolini's great new railway terminal stands forlornly on the edge of a cow paddock. Twenty locomotives were shoved into the yards outside by the fleeing Italians.

Soldiers trying them out found most of them capable of getting up enough steam to chug down the line to Awash.

Absurd incidents keep happening in the general confusion.

An Italian sentry came flying into Fascist headquarters at one captured town with news that the British were coming up the road. He found himself staring into the face of a British colonel who had been in residence there for some days.

Bewildered

Even in the triumphal British march into the Ethiopian capital an Italian despatch rider from a distant post got suddenly entangled in the column. He kept weaving in and out of the British lorries, too bewildered to stop.

Recrossing a hundred miles of this last stage of the advance I saw a thousand places where a telling ambush could have been made.

None was made.

As in every advance I have seen in this war, it was the engineers who took the final honours.

The South Africans flung their girders across thirty-foot chasms in remarkably short time.

Near Diredawa they perched on 1,000-foot drops to hack new roads out of cliff faces.

Along the newly made roads now flow an endless stream of lorries that make this the best transported army in the Middle East.

From 'Cultural Institutions'!

These two stories illustrate the "gratitude" of Germans towards the R.A.F. men who man speed boats to rescue airmen shot down at sea:—

1.—Three Nazi airmen were recently saved after an ordeal in a rough sea off the East Coast.

As they stepped ashore one of them asked if he were in England.

Told that he was, he spat several times on the quayside and then into the officer's face.

2.—A rescued German airman had been in a rubber boat for many hours. It was bitterly cold, and a member of the R.A.F rescue party poured him out a tot of rum.

Taking the rum, the German showed his thanks by flinging it into his rescuer's face.

War's Latest—Undies "Cut"

First stockings, now undies, are war's victims. Production of lingerie is to be severely cut under Britain's concentration of industry plan. So women's undies will have to last longer—and darn it!

"When the plan comes into full operation," a leading hosiery manufacturer said, "production will be restricted to two-thirds of the total manufactured in the six months which ended on November 30 last year.

"The advance of machinery and the initiative of hosiery manufacturers has brought beautiful lingerie within the reach of even small purses.

"The Government's plan deals much more stringently with the production of outer wear and fancy hosiery, which is to be cut by 60 per cent."

Council Bars B.B.C. Jokes

The Public Morality Council of Britain is collecting evidence with which it can challenge the B.B.C. on its "standards of humour."

"Complaint has been made to the Council concerning broadcasts of alleged humour," states the annual report of the Council. "Objection was taken not on grounds of mere vulgarity or taste but by reason of an apparent acceptance of a lower standard."

The annual report adds that the Council's anti-nudity campaign was brought to a successful conclusion, and it had been amply demonstrated that the public desired that its entertainment on the stage should be "free from the unwholesomeness associated with 'strip tease' and the like, now happily a thing of the past."

The King Talks To Dockers

"YOU are still going strong. That's what we want, men like you to train young men at the present time," said the Queen.

She was speaking to Alexander Williams, who has been employed by a Glasgow firm for 49 years.

The King and Queen were on tour of Clydeside, talking with merchant skippers, dockers' leaders, men and women in the docks and factories.

'We're Trying'

Talking with Mr Patrick Ward, president of the Scottish Transport Workers (the Dockers' Union), and Mr J. C. Maclean, the secretary, the King asked:

"Are you clearing the ships and turning them round quickly?"

"Yes, sir, all our efforts are directed to unloading as quickly as possible," said Mr Maclean.

Captains of the Merchant Fleet, who brought their ships to port despite U-boats and bombers were congratulated by the King and Queen.

"A very great achievement," was the King's comment on the exploit of Captain Rice, of Upminster, Essex, who brought to port a torpedo, fired by a U-boat, which landed on the deck of his ship.

Windsors Rebuff Florida Society

The Duke and Duchess of Windsor caused a sensation in Florida society by curtly refusing to attend a series of banquets and cocktail parties arranged in their honour.

"My country is at war, you know," said the Duke as, gazing at the programme of the parties, he struck his pencil through all but two of them.

On the arrival of the Duke and Duchess at Miami from the Bahamas, the leaders of Florida's opulent society issued a long list of festivities which they said the couple would attend during their four-day stay.

The list indicated that the Duke and Duchess would be dragged into a whirl of non-stop eating, drinking and whoopee among millionaires and social climbers.

But the Duke limited their engagements to one luncheon and one cocktail party on the strict understanding that these will be quiet and unostentatious.

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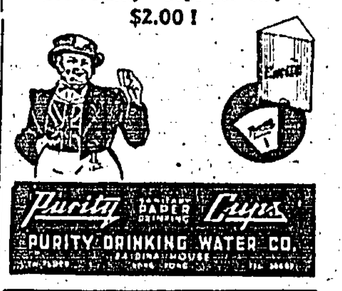

Civil Aviation In Japan

Civil aviation in Japan is to be developed by a new organisation, the Japanese Aviation Association (Dai Nippon Hiko Kyokai) which has absorbed a number of independent organisations.

The new Association will establish air training schools at universities and colleges and 50 local training schools are to be opened at the rate of two a year.

Boys' organisations are to be established in every prefecture for the encouragement of gliding.

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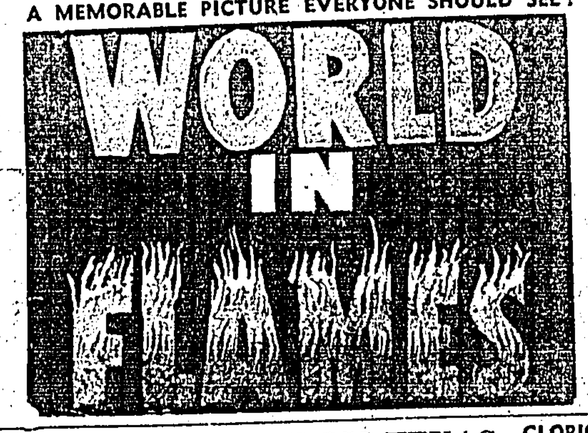

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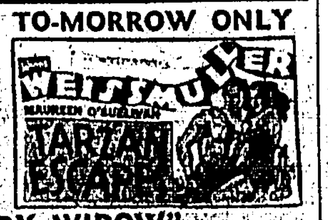

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This War Is Getting On Nazi Nerves

War has got so much on the nerves of the Germans that they're carrying tablets of sleeping draughts and patent medicines about with them.

Prisoners taken in the raid on the Lofoten Isles carried them, and an expert stated in London: "It suggests that German soldiers are developing nerves and that their morale is getting lower."

Scientific tests on captured equipment indicated that the Germans were getting short of cotton and copper and that a poorer type of alloy was being used.

A pillow case found in a German rescue float consisting of a fabric made from wood suggested shortage of cotton and jute.

"We had heard that the Germans were running short of iodine and vaseline," the expert said, "and a naval medicine chest which has come into our hands contains neither.

"It does not contain any disinfectant either."

Briton Shot Dead In Nazi Prison Camp

Britain has protested to the German Government against the shooting by a sentry in a prisoner-of-war camp in Germany of Lieutenant Dees, of the 6th Battalion Durham Light Infantry. The officer died immediately.

The disclosure was made by Captain Margesson, Minister of War, in the House of Commons recently.

Inquiries made through a protecting Power, said the Minister, had established that Lieutenant Dees was shot by a sentry while standing in the window of his cabin in Oflag 7 C/H.

The shots were fired because of a camp regulation forbidding prisoners to lean out of the windows with a view to preventing communication with the civil population.

The protecting Power had been requested to convey to the German Government on behalf of the British Government the most emphatic protest against the shooting.

Health Bulletin

Cholera Figures

Eleven cases of Cholera (three each from Victoria, Kowloon and Shaukiwan, and two from the New Territories), 12 cases of Dysentery, seven of Typhoid, one of Measles, and 42 of Tuberculosis, were reported on Monday.

The weekly return shows the following cases of infectious diseases in addition to Cholera: Three cases of Cerebro-spinal Meningitis with one death; four of Diphtheria with two deaths, 43 of Dysentery with 16 deaths, 22 of Typhoid with nine deaths, two of Measles with one death, one of Puerperal Fever with one death, and 270 of Tuberculosis with 126 deaths.

Small-pox On Decline

Cholera figures for the week ended June 14 show a total of 34 cases with 12 deaths. From January 1 to June 16, at midnight, the total was 913 cases (five imported) with 528 deaths. Fifty-one sufferers are undergoing treatment.

Evidence that Small-pox is being steadily checked is contained in the information that there were no cases for the week ended June 14. From June 1 to June 16 there were 15 cases, of which 13 proved fatal.

The decrease in Small-pox figures is to a certain extent, due to the education of the Chinese in the value of vaccination. The Chinese seem to have lost their prejudice but they are still reluctant to allow their infants to be vaccinated. This is one reason why the majority of Small-pox cases occur among infants.

On the other hand, the Chinese are not so willing to avail themselves of the protection afforded by inoculation against Cholera.

LATE NEWS

Counter-Attacks By French

FROM PAGE ONE

French planes are hammering the Free French and British rear lines.

It is officially announced that a French destroyer was sunk off Sidon and that seven members of the crew were drowned during the aerial-naval battle. The destroyer was sunk during the course of the French attack off Beirut and Sidon at dawn on Monday against a British squadron of two cruisers and four destroyers, and following Sunday's aerial-naval battle in which the French claimed that they dispersed the British squadron which was shelling the Lebanese coast.

Vichy Communique

LONDON, June 17 (Reuter).—A Vichy communique on the Syrian operations, broadcast by the Lyons radio to-night, read:

"In the area situated between Jebel Druse and Mount Hermon as well as in the mountainous part of South Lebanon, counter-offensive operations continue.

"On the coast, British forces, deprived of the support of the Fleet which withdrew on the morning of June 16, have developed only slight activity.

"Our air force continued yesterday to attack with bombs the rear of the enemy despite very active anti-aircraft defences.

"Rayak and Homs districts were twice raided by the R.A.F. on Sunday night but there were no casualties or damage."

Blow In Centre

(BY "REUTER'S" CHIEF CORRESPONDENT IN CAIRO)

CAIRO, June 17.—Resistance by Vichy troops in Syria, which it was hoped could be avoided, has now developed and General Dentz's forces have struck a blow in the centre which has led to fighting.

It has, however, made no material change.

The latest dispatches received here to-day report that Merj Ayoum—claimed to have been taken by Vichy troops—is still in Allied hands.

The situation there is well in hand and Allied reserves are available.

Overlooking Damascus

On the coast, the Allies have made little progress beyond Sidon and the position there seems reasonably secure.

There is still fighting south of Damascus, where certain Vichy positions have been captured.

The Allies are now on the hills overlooking Damascus Plain and are making their way slowly down towards the city.

Syrians and Druses are generally friendly to the Allies.

GERMANS TO RETALIATE

FROM PAGE ONE

confiscation or merely immobilisation.

Some observers suggest that the German Government has not yet completed drafting details of the action it intends to take, and that the term "necessary measures" should be taken to make it plain to the world that it would not accept the United States move without retaliation.

Large U.S. Holdings

BERLIN, June 17 (UP).—American-owned property in Germany is roughly estimated—by neutral unofficial sources to be $450,000,000, the majority of which is held by a dozen large companies among which are the Ford Company, General Motors Corporation, International Harvester Company, Otis Elevator Company, Eastman Kodak Company, Yale and Towne, Mergenthaler Company and the Standard Oil Company.

It is pointed out that there are large holdings in the occupied territories, particularly France.

Scientists Work On Air Defence

LONDON, June 17 (Reuter).—"Development of high promise in many directions" in the detection and destruction of enemy planes was mentioned by the Lord Privy Seal, Mr Clement Attlee, in answer to a question in the House of Commons to-day.

Mr Attlee was invited to amplify a recent statement by the Canadian Minister of Defence, Colonel J. L. Ralston, announcing Canadian help in this direction.

Mr Attlee said that thanks to the brilliant work of our scientists, great progress was made in devising means of helping the fighting services in locating and destroying the enemy.

Ingenious Apparatus

British industries were now turning out increasing quantities of ingenious apparatus, whose maintenance demands large numbers of skilled men, especially radio mechanics.

Training is being given by the fighting services, assisted by universities and technical colleges throughout the country.

Still there was need for more craftsmen and a broadcast appeal was being made to technical men overseas to come forward to join their skill and knowledge to that of our scientists.

Tanks Take Part In Big Battle

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are distinctly threatened with being cut off by the operations on the plain above Sollum. They are rushing up reinforcements from the Tobruk area, and it is difficult to prophesy the future course of the engagement.

Jockeying For Position

At the moment, gun carriers, armoured cars and mobile artillery taking part are jockeying for position in a bid to secure a useful jumping off ground in the "triangle."

This area is very useful to whoever holds it and inconvenient to the side that does not.

There has been little doing on the coast and plain near Sollum compared with the really hard fighting in progress on the escarpment above.

Huge Boulders On Conduit Rd. House

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On being informed, the Police immediately despatched an emergency unit to the scene, while the Fire Brigade and Ambulance were also summoned, but as it turned out their services were not required. The Hon. Mr J. P. Pennefather-Evans, Commissioner of Police, and the Hon. Mr A. B. Purves, Director of Public Works, also went to the scene.

The St John's University Alumni Association, Hongkong Branch, will hold its annual general meeting at the Chinese Merchants' Club, China Building, at 7.30 p.m., Friday, June 20.

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STALIN MAY GIVE IN TO HITLER WITH IDEA OF AVOIDING CONFLICT

By FREDERICK KUH
Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, JUNE 17 (UP).—IMPORTANT NON-BRITISH DIPLOMATIC QUARTERS WHO ARE VITALLY INTERESTED IN GERMAN-RUSSIAN RELATIONS, TO-DAY EXPRESSED THE VIEW THAT HITLER AND STALIN WILL CONCLUDE A NEW AGREEMENT TO AVERT ARMED CONFLICT.

The spokesman of this Power suggested that Stalin will provisionally exempt German war material from the Soviet ban of April 29 of arms traffic between two countries across Russia.

The spokesman whose Government is well informed regarding Moscow and Berlin relations thinks that Soviet ports and railways may be opened for the transportation of German military equipment to the Middle East, possibly Iran, which will serve as a base for a German offensive against the British. He was of the opinion, however, that if Stalin grants the concession to Hitler, the volume of war supplies allowed to cross Russia will be limited.

It is believed that possibly Hitler will seek similar facilities, at least for the transit of materials and possibly troops also across Turkey.

If Stalin makes exceptions to the April 29 decree, they might equally apply to the shipment of German armaments to Japan through Russia. It is recalled that reliable reports last Monday announced an agreement whereby Germany would supply armaments to Japan in return for the Japanese re-export to Germany of tropical products, mainly rubber.

Exploratory Talks

Neither British or foreign diplomats possess any authentic information that Germany has presented any formal demands on Moscow but believed that both countries are conducting exploratory talks in which Hitler, at least, has hinted his demands from which he is expected partly to recede.

The vast concentration of the German army and the Luftwaffe within easy striking distance of Russia, however, is thought likely to be for the purpose of persuading Stalin to make certain concessions, the probable extent of which are believed to be widely exaggerated by the British press.

A third Power spokesman was of the opinion that Hitler will avoid war with Russia which might play into British and United States hands, and added that Stalin must also avert a Russo-German armed conflict which might be welcomed by the democracies.

The spokesman's views are admittedly in contrast with the British and other foreign diplomats who forecast a far-reaching Russian subservience to Germany or a Russo-German war. The spokesman is known as one of the most experienced authoritative non-Russian Europeans in the field of Soviet foreign relations.

NEW GOVERNOR

Latest portrait of Sir Mark Aitchison Young, K.C.M.G. who is succeeding Sir Geoffry Northcote as Governor of Hongkong.

Moscow Calm, But Watchful

Alarmist Reports Not Confirmed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MOSCOW, June 17 (UP).—Alarmist foreign reports regarding the imminence of conflict between Germany and Russia are not supported by any external evidence in Moscow, which is probably the most calm European capital with none of the nervousness that is reflected in the dispatches from the Balkans, Scandinavia or the Near East.

Nor is there any reliable indication of a general or partial mobilisation. The streets, cafes, parks and crowds are normal in the number of young men of military age who would be ordinarily in uniform if hostilities were expected.

This does not mean that the Kremlin is not prepared for any eventuality, preparedness being the theme song in all public utterances. Stalin's warning to "maintain the State so mobilized, that no trick of a foreign foe catches us unawares" has become the classic keynote of all speeches and articles dealing with the international situation.

ARMING OF U. S. SHIPS

PRESIDENT REPLIES

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, June 17 (UP).—President Roosevelt to-day disclosed that the Navy Department now, as in every year since 1916, possesses plans to provide arms for the use of American merchant vessels for their own defence but indicated that the time was not opportune to order merchant ships to install armaments for the purpose of preventing a repetition of incidents like the Robin Moor sinking.

He asserted that he was not aware whether or not specific Congressional authorisation was needed before guns could be mounted on merchantmen.

When asked at the press conference whether the Consulates of other countries were under suspicion, the President smiled mysteriously and announced that there would be no news on that subject to-day with emphasis on "to-day."

Murphy May Visit Here

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, June 17 (UP).—It is learned here to-day that President Roosevelt has definitely authorised Mr Justice Murphy to make a trip to the Far East as his personal observer.

Mr Murphy at present has the trip under consideration.

Finns Leave League Of Nations

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HELSINKI, June 17 (UP).—The Finnish Foreign Minister, M. Ritting to-day officially announced that Finland has cancelled her membership in the League of Nations.

Japanese Envoy To Britain

Conference In London

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LISBON, June 16 (Domei).—Mr Mamoru Shigemitsu, Japanese Ambassador to London, arrived here this afternoon from the British capital by plane en route to Tokyo. He is expected to leave here on June 25 following a short visit to Spain.

It is understood that the Japanese Ambassador will participate in a conference here with the Japanese Ambassadors and Ministers accredited to the capitals in Western Europe who will assemble to exchange views on the European situation. Those expected to be present include Mr Yakichiro Suma, Minister to Spain, Mr Sotomatsu Kato, Ambassador to Vichy, Mr Yauchi, Minister to Portugal, and Mr Ryushin Mitani, Minister to Switzerland.

Will Return To London

LONDON, June 17 (Reuter).—According to present arrangements, the Ambassador will return to his post in London when his conversations with the Japanese Foreign Minister, Mr Yosuke Matsuoka, have been completed.

The decision to go to Tokyo was taken when it proved impossible for Mr Shigemitsu to see Mr Matsuoka during the latter's visit this year to Moscow and Berlin.

The Ambassador is to fly across the Atlantic and America, and will complete his long journey by sea. He is accompanied by the First and Third Secretaries of the Japanese Embassy in London.

The First Secretary has been appointed to a post in South America and will proceed thither from New York. His place as First Secretary in London has been taken by Mr Ymada.

Shooting Of Akagi In Shanghai

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SHANGHAI, June 18 (Domei).—Terming "preposterous" reports that Mr Chiknyuki Akagi, Deputy Commissioner of the Shanghai Municipal Police, was shot by members of a "super-patriotic" Japanese organisation, Lt-Col Kunio Akiyama, Japanese Army spokesman in Shanghai, at the Press Conference yesterday afternoon declared that if the shooting was instigated by Chungking, it would appear that the object of Chungking terrorists has turned toward the Shanghai Municipal Council.

"If we may be allowed to presume, the Council may take a stricter attitude toward Chungking," the Army spokesman said.

Nazi Army Massing In Norway

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, June 17 (Domei).—An "Associated Press" report from London carries Norwegian rumours that large Nazi military forces are being concentrated on the western coast of Norway.

According to the report, trains loaded with troops and materials are moving via Oslo toward the western coast while transport ships are constantly steaming westward.

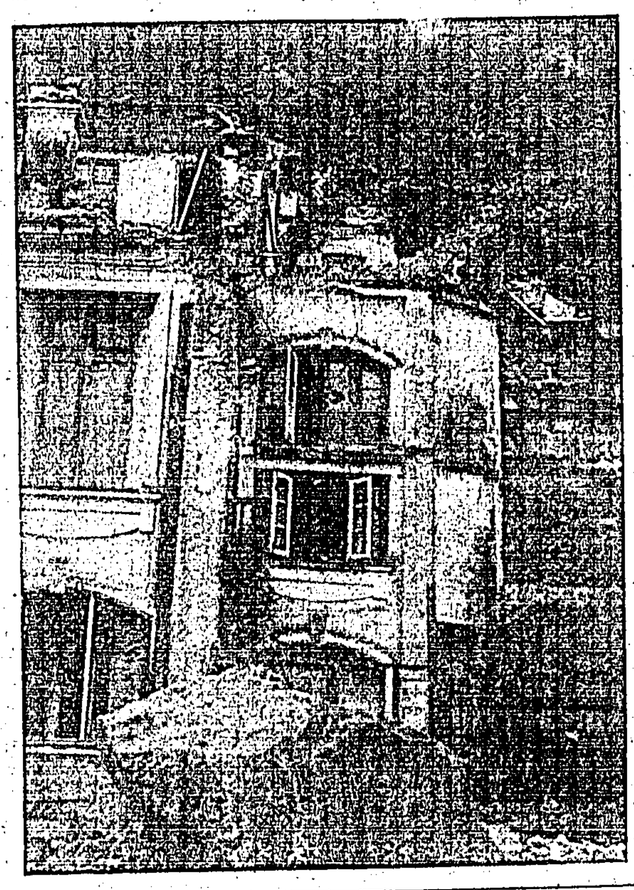
Nazi Attempts Suicide

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, June 17 (UP).—The Deputy Chief United States Immigration Officer, Mr Byron Uhl, today stated that Guenther Tonn, former chief of the German Transocean News Service made a slight incision in his throat and a small cut on one wrist with a razor blade in his room at the Ellis Island Immigration Station early yesterday morning.

Conduit Road Landslide

This picture graphically illustrates the extent of the damage caused by the landslide to the Japanese Consulate buildings in Conduit Road this morning. In the foreground is one of the huge boulders which ripped holes in the house and shattered the glass windows.—*Ming Yuen.*



Huge Boulders Crash On Conduit Rd. House

Three huge boulders, weighing several tons, crashed from the hillside into the residence of the Japanese Consular staff at 7B Conduit Road shortly after 9 o'clock this morning, but fortunately there were no casualties though the damage caused was fairly heavy.

The house, which is next to the residence of the Japanese Consul-General, was occupied by three members of the Japanese Consular staff, but at the time of the incident they were away, only two women servants being present.

One of these servants stated that she was on the roof when she suddenly heard a loud rumbling noise and on looking up saw several huge rocks crashing down from the hillside. Previously she had been washing clothing in the yard and she said that if she had remained there a little while longer she would in all probability have been struck by one of the rocks.

The crash occurred during a heavy downpour. The boulders struck a room on the west side of the building, occupied by one of the Japanese, and then crashed into the grass court, the largest one burying itself several feet in the ground. The room was practically smashed only one of the doors remaining, but curiously enough, the servants' quarters immediately below it were untouched. One of the servants stated that the occupant of the room had a miraculous escape for generally he did not leave the house until about 10 a.m.; this morning he left a few minutes before the incident.

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Counter-Attacks By French, But Allies Progress Along The Coast

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

CAIRO, June 17 (UP).—To-day's General Headquarters communique states that French troops are making strong counter-attacks at Merj Ayoum and Kuneitra. "Allied reinforcements are now approaching both of these places and heavy fighting is continuing.

"The Allies are making steady progress in the coastal sector of Syria, and they captured several further positions in the Kiswe area."

Merj Ayoum Re-Taken

VICHY, June 17 (UP).—French troops in a counter-offensive have recaptured Merj Ayoum from the Australian troops.

Further Positions Captured

CAIRO, June 17 (Reuter).—Further Vichy positions have been captured south of Damascus, where fighting continues, state the latest dispatches from Syria.

The Allies are now in the hills overlooking the plain of Damascus, making their way slowly towards the city.

At Merj Ayoum, which is in Allied hands, the situation is well under control.

French Destroyer Sunk

VICHY, June 17 (Reuter).—A French destroyer was sunk in the operations off Syria, says a Beirut telegram to the Vichy news agency.

Tanks Captured

LONDON, June 17 (UP).—Authoritative quarters announced to-day that British troops have captured seven Vichy tanks at Sidon in addition to stores and munitions. It is stated that the resistance of the Vichy forces has "been in excess of that hoped for but not in excess of that to be reckoned with."

French Consolidate, Says Vichy

VICHY, June 17 (UP).—The latest advices state that the French forces have consolidated the positions which they seized yesterday and that

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HEAVIEST R. A. F. RAID ON FRENCH COAST

Special to the "Telegraph"

FOLKESTONE, June 17 (UP).—The R.A.F. hurled its biggest attack against the French coast between Boulogne and Calais this evening as scores of bombers escorted by larger formations of fighters filled the sky over the Straits of Dover, roared to their objectives and unleashed their heaviest bombs, the explosions of which violently rocked the cliffs of the south-east coast, 25 miles away.

The "United Press" correspondent watched the furious attack from the cliffs on a glorious summer evening with the sun shining brilliantly on the chalky cliffs making them stand out under the apparently heavy black haze. He states that one formation of bombers escorted by fighters, a total of over 80 machines, met terrific anti-aircraft fire from the Germans.

Thirteen Downed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, June 17 (UP).—It is authoritatively reported that thirteen enemy fighters were destroyed this evening over the Channel in aerial engagement.

Ten British fighters are missing.

German Claims

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, June 17 (UP).—In a special communique the High Command claims that German fighters this evening shot down twenty British fighters during enemy attempts to fly in over the Channel coast. One German fighter was lost.

Aerial Activity In Syria, Libya

R.A.F. Operations

CAIRO, June 17 (Reuter).—A communique says:

"Cirenaica.—Aircraft of the Imperial air forces were continuously active throughout yesterday in support of the operations carried out by our ground forces. Numerous sorties were made by our fighters to drive off aircraft attempting to bomb and machine-gun our troops, and in many instances the enemy bombers were forced to jettison their bombs without attacking.

"In the course of combats, one Messerschmitt-109 was shot down and several other Messerschmitt-109 and-110's were severely damaged. One Heinkel was destroyed on the ground.

"During Sunday night, the harbour at Benghazi, several enemy aerodromes and concentrations of motor transports were heavily attacked. A number of fires were started in the harbour at Benghazi.

"At Bardia, aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm started large fires among enemy vehicles, a number of which were destroyed or damaged.

"Fires were also started on the landing at Derna, Martuba and Gazala, where bombs fell among the dispersed aircraft, many of which are believed to have been destroyed.

"Direct hits were made on military objectives at Bardia.

Syria

"Syria.—Aircraft of the R.A.F. and the Royal Australian Air Force continued to support the ground opera-

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LATEST

Colony's Heavy Rainfall

Six and a half inches of rain fell during last night, the "Telegraph" learns.

Since last Saturday about fifteen inches of rain have fallen.

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Japanese Give Up N.E.I. Negotiations

TOKYO, June 17 (Reuter).—The Japanese delegates have decided to leave the Netherlands East Indies following the impasse in the economic talks, according to a Japanese telegram from Batavia.

Prior to this announcement, Mr Yoshizawa, head of the Japanese delegation, had a final interview with the Governor-General of the Netherlands East Indies.

The telegram adds that the delegation will leave Batavia for Japan on June 29.

The prominent newspaper "Hochi Shimbun," says that the Japanese Government should nevertheless continue to urge the East Indies to co-operate with Japan in building an "East Asia prosperity sphere."

Declaring that the Dutch Governor-General's speech to the People's Council on Monday indirectly implied that Japan was one of the colony's enemies, the "Hochi Shimbun" says that Japan must take this into consideration and take determined steps to make the East Indies realise Japan's ideal of a Greater East Asia.

Yoshizawa Sailing

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, June 18 (UP).—The "Nichi Nichi" correspondent at Batavia reports that Mr Yoshizawa is sailing for Japan on June 29.

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U. S. And Oil For Japan

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, June 17 (UP).—The Under Secretary of State, Mr Sumner Welles to-day indicated that the general policy of the United States regarding oil shipments to Japan had not been altered by the intervention of the Secretary of Interior, Mr Harold Ickes, to prevent the shipment of lubricating oil from Philadelphia to Japan.

Other quarters told the reporters that Japan is still able to obtain oil of the categories which are not embargoed from the west coast or other ports.

Petain's Appeal

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

VICHY, June 17 (UP).—In a radio speech to-night on the occasion of the anniversary of his assumption of power in 1940, Marshal Petain warned against Communist propaganda, saying "this is no time to seek refuge in bitterness or to sink in dispair. You have not been sold out, betrayed or abandoned. Those who tell you that are throwing you into the arms of Communism. You are suffering and will suffer a long time still because we are not finished paying for our mistakes. Rally with me and we will come safely out of the darkness where we were plunged by our terrible adventure."

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4.—The right to publish any or all of the entries is reserved to the *Hongkong Telegraph*.

5.—All photographs entered must have been taken in the Colony of Hongkong. Photographs which have been already entered in other Competitions are ineligible.

6.—No responsibility will be accepted for non-delivery of, loss of, or damage to entries.

7.—All entries to be either black, sepia, or toned pictures, and must be mounted. Coloured photographs are ineligible.

8.—Pictures submitted in sepia tones should be accompanied by a smaller print in black and white.

9.—No picture to entered in more than one Section.

10.—Mounts to be only white or cream, must be of one of the following sizes:—10×12, 10×20.

11.—No correspondence will be entered into in connection with the Competition.

12.—Members of the Staffs of the *Hongkong Telegraph* and the *South China Morning Post* are not permitted to compete.

13.—The decision of the Judges shall be final.

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President Adams	v-1

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From the foregoing it will be realized that, of the above-mentioned steamers, the ss "President Pierce" v-79 will be the last sailing under the old schedule. A new schedule covering the routes and sailing dates of our remaining steamers will be available to the public in a few days.

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Notice to Shareholders

The Sixtieth Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Wednesday, the 25th June, 1941, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1940.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 11th June to the 25th June, 1941, both days inclusive.

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FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

What to do to help a child

Anyone knowing of a child who has been assaulted, neglected, or ill-treated in a manner likely to cause unnecessary suffering or injury to health, or knowing of a parent who is seeking advice on any matter concerning a child, would be doing an act of kindness by communicating at once with—

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The Inspector, 52, Argyle St., Kowloon.

All further steps will be taken, and expenses borne, by the Society.

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DEFENCE REGULATIONS 1940

The following rates will be charged for mailing single copies of the following newspapers abroad:—

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China and Macao
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British and Foreign
20 cents per copy
25 cents Saturdays.

GARRISON FOR AZORES

VICHY, June 17 (Reuter).—A detachment of soldiers has left Lisbon for the Azores to reinforce the naval base at Ponta del Gada, states a Lisbon despatch.

The sailors took with them a quantity of war materials.

A contingent of troops from Lisbon has already arrived at the Azores, according to a despatch from Angara do Heroismo.

PAYMENT OF CHINESE CREWS

LONDON, June 17 (Reuter).—The Parliamentary Secretary, Col J. J. Llewellin, at question time in the House of Commons to-day, disclosed that the Ministry of Shipping had discussed very fully with Mr Quo Tai-chi, former Chinese Ambassador and now Chinese Foreign Minister, the question of payment to Chinese seamen and added: "I am glad to say that there have been no recent difficulties with crews in this country."

Had Forged Banknotes

Jury Decides

Found guilty by Jury on a charge of possession of forged banknotes, Chau Kwan was sentenced to two years' hard labour by the Puisne Judge, Mr Justice P. E. F. Cressall, at the Criminal Sessions, Supreme Court this morning.

The Jury, comprised Messrs D. Peoples (Foreman), Sui Ho-ming, Kwai Wing-lee, S. N. Potoulolf, Julian Shou-i-liang, Tuet Wai-sin, and M. F. da Pinna. They were unanimous in their finding.

Chau was charged with possession of a forged $10 note of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, and 62 forged $1 notes of the Hongkong Government, at Un Long, New Territories, on May 13.

Mr M. J. Abbott, Crown Counsel, prosecuted assisted by Sub.-Inspector C. Mottram.

One Dollar Notes

Arrested with fifteen forged $1 Hongkong Government notes in his possession at Kowloon on May 20, Wong Shu, 31, was charged before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions this morning, when he admitted the offence, and was sentenced to fifteen months' hard labour. He pleaded for leniency.

The forged notes were ordered to be destroyed.

Party Ends In Fight

Private Compensation

Wong Kwong-wah, 40, merchant, was charged before Mr H. G. Sheldon, K.C., at Central Magistracy this morning with assaulting Leung Sai-so, waiter, at Kam Ling Restaurant, West Point, on June 10. For failing to appear in Court on a similar charge Wong Kit-sang, 23, merchant, had his bail of $50 estreated.

Mr Alfred Y. Hon appearing for Complainant prosecuted. Sgt C. Pope appeared for the Police. First Defendant was represented by Mr C. A. Sutherton Russ and Mr M. A. da Silva appeared for the Restaurant Waiters Association.

Playing Mahjong

It was stated that at 10.30 p.m. on June 10 Complainant, with ten guests, was having supper in the Restaurant. Defendants were in another room playing mahjong with two other persons. When they had finished the game of mahjong Complainant came and removed the mahjong set away. Defendants went away for a while and when they returned and found that the mahjong had been taken away they reprimanded Complainant. Heated words passed between them and second Defendant was alleged to have thrown a glass and cup at Complainant. First Defendant joined in the assault and threw a chair at Complainant. Complainant sustained head injuries.

Mr Russ said that he could prove that his client (first Defendant) was not the ringleader in the assault, and Mr Hon agreed.

First Defendant promised to compensate Complainant privately. He was bound over in $100 for good behaviour for one year.

Registrar Held For Ransom

CHUNGKING, June 18 (Central News).—The registrar of St John's University, Shanghai, Mr Z. K. Sze, who was kidnapped on June 4, is now being held somewhere in Chapei, according to a Shanghai report quoting the university authorities.

Negotiations are proceeding regarding the amount of ransom for his release, which is between $3,000 and $4,000.

It is learned that Mr William Z. L. Sung, the President of the institution, was actually the objective of the kidnapping. Having failed to get him, however, the kidnappers abducted Sze instead.

The University has been "advised" by the puppets to change its attitude several times lately, but the advice has been rejected.

Eire's Food Supplies

Synthetic Flour Possible

DUBLIN, June 17 (Reuter).—Eire is experiencing a severe shortage of food for humans and animals, but supplies of flour and bread in the country will be adequate until the next harvest has arrived.

This was stated to-day in the Dail by the Minister of Supplies, Sean Lemass, who announced that it was not improbable that after the next harvest, a certain amount of other cereals may have to be used with wheat to ensure the nation's requirements of flour and bread.

Shipping difficulties would further increase if there was an extension of the war.

SINO-BURMESE FRONTIER LINES

CHUNGKING, June 17 (Reuter).—Delimitation of the frontier between China and Burma has been finally settled after prolonged negotiations, "Reuter" learns from well-informed sources to-day.

It is expected that the agreement between the Chinese and British Governments will be signed shortly.

TAIPO ROBBERY

Sentence of four years' hard labour was passed by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions this morning on three men, Yee Kun-young, Wong Ming and Lai Sai-ying, who pleaded guilty to a charge of robbery at Taipo On May 7.

Nazis Given Some Of Their Own Medicine

Industrial Towns on Rhine Take Tremendous Hammering

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, June 17 (UP).—Giving details of last night's operations, the Air Ministry stated to-day that many bombers had attacked Cologne, Dusseldorf and Duisberg even before the moon shone clearly.

"Soon, there were seen fires on both sides of the river, and one after another of the tall industrial buildings showed up in the glare of the flames."

The Air Ministry added that the ground defences steadily increased the tempo of their fire as the attack developed; "heavy and light flak burst about our aircraft while many searchlights —one observer alone counted 85 of them over Cologne—went into action.

"In spite of the defenders, our pilots got through to their targets."

One pilot, describing the fires at Dusseldorf said that he saw a sheet of flame, apparently a factory or a large warehouse ablaze. In the fires, flare and smoke it looked just like a river; for a moment I thought I was seeing two Rhines."

Over The Channel

LONDON, June 17 (Reuter).—Clouds of R.A.F. fighters carried out a spectacular offensive sweep over the Straits of Dover and the French coast to-night.

Several squadrons of fighters were engaged and for some time the Channel throbbed with the deep unbroken roar of powerful motors.

START OF AN ADVENTURE

—Sail Round World

The Hongkong built 55-ton brigantine "Our Lady of Peace" with Lieut-Col Juan L. Calvo in charge, left the Wing On Shing shipyard at 7 a.m. this morning for Manila, on the first leg of a round-the-world cruise which is expected to take about two years.

The brigantine should have left Hongkong on Sunday morning, but at the last minute the Chinese steward was missed and it was decided to wait for his return. An unloaded .38 Colt automatic pistol and $200 in money was also missing. The missing steward has not yet been located.

Col Calvo is accompanied by Mr Rafael d'Almeida, as mate, two seamen, and a cook. They expect to be in Manila by the end of the week.

LIMIT TO AGGRESSION

Japan's Air Force Said To Be Mediocre

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SAN FRANCISCO, June 17 (UP).—The Institute of Pacific Relations to-day announced that Japan's aggressiveness in the Far East is limited by a "mediocre" air force. Reliable estimates have shown that Japan has about 4,000 planes and is able to produce about 3,000 annually; however, "about 60 per cent. of Japan's naval planes are obsolete."

Western dependencies in the Far East have 2,000 first line planes.

Profiteering Prosecutions

Sales Of Firewood

Firewood dealers summoned for profiteering under the Defence Regulations have apparently been so over-awed by the fines imposed on them recently, that they are now resorting to absconding when summoned for such offences.

Two such cases occurred at the Central Magistracy before Mr H. G. Sheldon, K.C., this morning when four firewood firms in the Wanchai district were summoned for selling split firewood in excess of the Government price.

The other Defendants were women, one of whom, Chan Mau-tan, of the Wai San Firewood Shop, No. 11 Wing Fung Street, pleaded guilty to selling split firewood for nine cents more than the proper price, on May 30. She was fined $1,000 or three weeks' imprisonment.

The other woman, Sam Mui, of the Sing Kei Firm, No. 1 Luen Fat Street, was remanded for a week when she denied having sold 40 catties for $1 which is 11 cents in excess, on May 29.

Warrant Issued

Yip Tai, of the Tai Kee Firm, No. 27 Swatow Street, was found to have absconded after the summons was served, the principal tenant of the premises told the Magistrate. A warrant was issued for his arrest, bail being fixed at $500.

Yip is alleged to have sold 40 catties at $1.

Chan Shing, of the Hung Hing Firewood Shop, No. 200 Lockhart Road, was also reported to have absconded and the summons against him was adjourned for a week. He is alleged to have sold 21 catties for 50 cents, being three cents in excess.

Russian Monoeuvres

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

STOCKHOLM, June 17 (UP)—The Scandinavian "Telegraph Bureau's" Helsinki correspondent reports that extensive Russian manoeuvres are being carried out on the Karelian Peninsula. The Russians have blown up a number of strategic railroad bridges and have taken other military measures.

Landslide Boulder Rips Hole In House Roof

One of the heavy rock boulders which slid down from the hillside on to Conduit Road buildings this morning ripped its way through the roof of one of the houses as seen in the accompanying photograph. Happily no casualties resulted from the incident.

Major Baseball

Tigers And Red Sox Split Double Header

NEW YORK, June 17 (UP).—Detroit Tigers and Boston Red Sox split even in a double-header in the American League to-day. In the National, Brooklyn Dodgers nosed out Chicago Cubs 7-6.

Scores were:

AMERICAN LEAGUE

		R.	H.	E.
Detroit		6	11	5
Battery: Giebell, Thomas, Newhouser, Sullivan.				
Boston		14	15	0
Battery: Dobson, Wilson, Peacock.				
Detroit		6	10	0
Battery: Gorsica, Benton, McKain, Trout, Tebbetts.				
Boston		5	9	4
Battery: Wagner, Ryba, Fleming, Pytlak.				
Chicago		8	11	0
Battery: Rigney, E. Smith, Tresh.				
New York		7	9	2
Battery: Peck, Stanceau, Murphy, Dickey.				

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Brooklyn		7	11	0
Battery: Wyatt, Casey, Owen, Franks.				
Chicago		6	12	1
Battery: Lee, Page, McCullough.				
Boston		3	10	0
Battery: Johnson, Hutchins, Beyres, Masi.				
Cincinnati		5	7	0
Battery: Derringer, Lombardi.				
New York		6	9	2
Battery: Hubbell, Danning.				
Pittsburgh		3	10	2
Battery: Sewell, J. Bowman, Lopez.				

Model Airplane Exhibition Postponed

The first exhibition of model airplanes under the auspices of the Hongkong Model Airplane Association, originally scheduled to take place on June 14, has now been postponed to August 12, when it will be held simultaneously with the second exhibition.

Detailed measures regarding the exhibition, now being drafted by the Association, will be made public shortly.

New Zealand Shipbuilding

WELLINGTON, June 17 (Reuter).—The placing of a contract for building four minesweepers at Port Chalmers to British Admiralty plans was announced by the New Zealand Minister of Supply, Mr Sullivan, to-day.

TELEPHONING IN STORM INDIAN GETS SHOCK

While receiving a telephone call in the Argyle Street Internment Camp during the thunder storm about 11.30 a.m. yesterday, an Indian constable, Mehan Khan, received a shock.

He was taken to Kowloon Hospital where his condition was described as fair.

Healthy Robber Will Get A Thrashing

Before Sir Atholl MacGregor at the Criminal Sessions this morning, Lau Fuk, 32, unemployed, pleaded guilty to charges of robbery with aggravation, attempting to shoot with intent, and possession of arms and ammunition without a licence.

Lau admitted robbing the Pak Kut Restaurant, Yaumati, of $77.05 on May 3, attempting to shoot a 16-year-old boy, Yip Siu-kwong, and possession of a revolver and five rounds of ammunition.

He declared that the revolver could not do much harm, and said he only used it to threaten people.

Mr M. J. Abbott, Crown Counsel, said that Accused had four previous convictions.

24 Strokes Of Cane

Passing sentence, His Lordship remarked that Accused was fit and healthy for a thrashing and he was going to get it. Accused was sentenced to three years' hard labour and ordered to receive 24 strokes of the cane.

Formal sentences of three years' hard labour and three months' hard labour on the second and third counts, to run concurrently with the first, were also passed.

AIR TRAINING CORPS IN U.K.

Satisfactory Progress

LONDON, June 17 (British Wireless).—Replying to a question in the House of Commons to-day, the Air Secretary said that the progress of the Air Training Corps continues to give cause for satisfaction.

The number of units formed is now 1,340 with a total strength of about 100,000 cadets. Over 5,000 candidates for commissions have been accepted for service with the Corps and some 740 units have been affiliated to R.A.F. stations.

Greek Naval Units With Britain

LONDON, June 17 (Reuter).—A cruiser, seven destroyers, two torpedo boats and five submarines of the Greek Navy have reached Alexandria and have now joined the British Mediterranean Fleet, announced a senior officer of the Greek Navy in a broadcast from London to-day.

A fisherman, Kwok Yu-wah, 51, was admitted to Cheung Chau Hospital yesterday, suffering from hand injuries sustained while dynamiting fish in the vicinity.

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Juliana In Washington

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, June 17 (UP).—Princess Juliana of the Netherlands and her husband Prince Bernhardt are due in Washington at 5.30 p.m. to-day and will be met by Major General Edwin Watson, Presidential Secretary and Military Aide, and Mr Vanley Woodward, Acting Chief Protocol of the State Department.

The President and Mrs Roosevelt will be hosts at a small informal dinner party of 12 or 14 persons. Mrs Roosevelt stated that the President was eager to talk to the royal visitors who will be White House guests overnight and depart from Washington Wednesday evening.

EATING HOUSE MANAGERS IN COURT

The managers of two well-known city restaurants were summoned before Mr H. G. Sheldon, K.C., at Central Magistracy this morning for failing to keep their premises and utensils clean at all times in compliance with the Public Health (Food) Ordinance.

Tang Chi-kin of Windsor Cafe, King's Building, was cautioned.

Health Inspector T. Seddon stated that he had inspected the premises on previous occasions with Dr Fehily and Defendant had been warned to keep the place clean. The kitchen was in a dirty state and when some of the tables were moved swarms of cockroaches flew out or ran all over the place. The dining room was in a better condition.

Defendant blamed his fokis for the condition of the kitchen.

Chinese Restaurant

Paul Lee of the St Francis Hotel Restaurant was represented by Mr Lee Hon-chi who pleaded not guilty and asked for a week's adjournment, which was granted.

Health Inspector E. J. Whitgot stated that it was the Chinese kitchen he was referring to. Food was kept in the office. The yard was dirty. There had been previous warnings.

Australian Air Force Decisions

CANBERRA, June 17 (Reuter).—Mr McEwen, Commonwealth Minister of Air, announced to-day that the Government were considering the absorption of women in clerical duties in the R.A.A.F., the release of fit men of fighting age for active service, and an increase of the age limits for ground staffs.

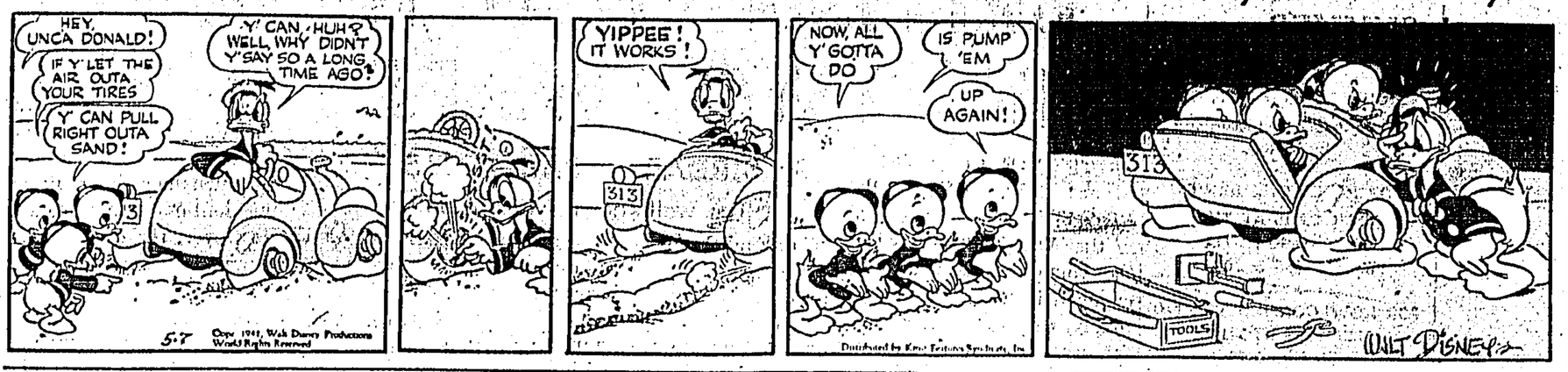
The Government has also decided to reduce the height for entry into the R.A.A.F. to five feet.

Nazi Bomber Which Crashed In Portugal

LISBON, June 17 (Reuter).—Portuguese officials who examined the wreckage of the plane which crashed in flames close to the Spanish frontier early on Sunday say that it was a four-engined German bomber, presumably returning from Gibraltar.

DONALD DUCK

By Walt Disney



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How to Play AND How to Win
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Bad "Reverse" Bid

ALMOST everyone in this enlightened age knows about "reverse bidding." Hence, it is scarcely necessary to say that when you start out with one diamond (for example) and partner responds with one spade, you need a really good hand—substantially over a minimum to "reverse" and now bid two hearts.

North, in to-day's hand, made a bad reverse bid, and as a result a bad slam contract was reached.

Match-point duplicate.
Both sides vulnerable.
North dealer.

	♠ Q J 10 3 ♡ A K 9 5 4 2 ◇ — ♣ K 7 2	
♠ 8 7 ♡ Q 7 3 ◇ K 10 9 6 4 2 ♣ 10 5	N W E S	♠ A 9 6 4 2 ♡ 10 8 ◇ 8 7 ♣ J 8 6 3
	♠ K 5 ♡ J 6 ◇ A Q J 5 3 ♣ A Q 9 4	

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1 ♡	Pass	2 ◇	Pass
2 ♠	Pass	6 N T	Pass
Pass	Pass		

North's two spade bid was wrong on two separate counts. For one thing, it is almost always wise to rebid a six-card major suit before mentioning a four-card major; for another, the two spade bid was a "reverse," and North should have had about one more honour-trick to justify it.

South might well have gone a bit slower toward his slam, but in view of his excellent hand he cannot be blamed for feeling that, after North had reversed, there must be a splendid play for twelve tricks.

West opened a spade. East won and returned a diamond. Declarer finessed, and that was that!

As I have said, the contract was far from sound, but, as a matter of fact, it could have been made by proper play plus a good guess.

Declarer should have realised that East would not have returned a diamond if he had held the king. Dummy had no diamonds, hence East would scarcely give declarer a finesse that he could never take for himself. The proper play was to win East's diamond return with the ace and lead the heart jack through West. The latter would cover and the king would win. Now the success of the contract would depend entirely on declarer's guess of the next heart play. He could finesse against the ten in West's hand, or could play for the drop of the ten-spot from East. The latter plan would win, of course, and considering East's play of the eight-spot on the first heart lead, this would be the correct decision—unless East had false-carded.

To-morrow's Hand

Rubber bridge.
North-South vulnerable.
North dealer.

	♠ A K Q 6 4 ♡ A 8 2 ◇ 9 ♣ A K Q 5	
♠ J 10 9 5 ♡ 6 ◇ 10 4 3 2 ♣ J 10 9 3	N W E S	♠ 7 3 ♡ K 10 7 4 ◇ A K Q J 7 5 ♣ 8
	♠ 8 2 ♡ Q J 9 5 3 ◇ 8 6 ♣ 7 6 4 2	

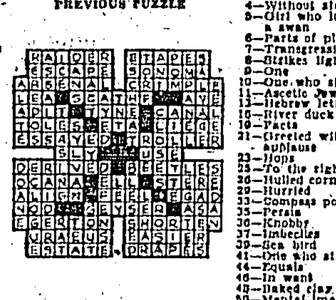
How should this hand be bid?

Crossword Puzzle
By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

1—Backless chairs
7—Do without
13—Wind instrument
12—Stringed instruments
14—Swedish name
15—Checking device
17—To wit
18—Concerning
19—Grand lady
20—Painful
22—Icelandic epic
24—Droops
27—Venerable (abbr.)
28—Grain (pl.)
30—Meadow
31—Exist
32—Back of neck
34—Issue forth
36—Nervous twitching
38—Is (Latin)
40—Pre-college school (col.)
42—Short song
43—Pay down
45—Port at mouth of Red Sea
47—Carve
49—Hold back
51—Engineer's degree
52—Hawaiian bird
53—Pressed
56—Prefix: before
57—Fashions
59—Bow again

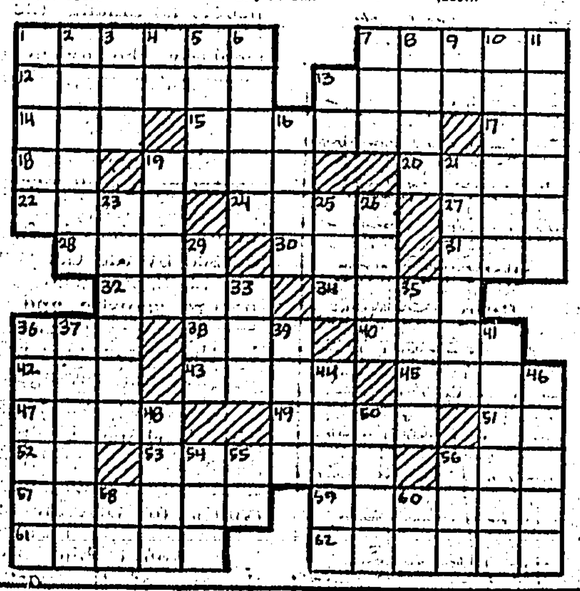
ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE



61—Small worms
62—Wages

DOWN

1—Twenty
2—City in Ohio
3—Unworked metal
4—Without stopping
5—Girl who loved a swan
6—Parts of plants
7—Transgression
8—Strikes lightly
9—One
10—One who shouts
11—Ascetic Jewish sect
13—Hebrew letter
16—River duck
19—Facts
21—Greeted with applause
23—Hops
25—To the right
26—Hulled corn
29—Hurried
33—Compass point
35—Petals
36—Knobby
37—Imbeciles
39—Sea bird
41—One who stares
44—Equals
46—In want
48—Baked clay
50—Mental image
54—Legal thing
55—Bone
56—Vegetable
58—Forked pipes
60—Without place (abbr.)



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Raff Slang
. . . . . by John Macadam

WHAT do you make of this?

"Chiefy, I expect a brown type, and don't take umbrage if he looks as if he has a lot of lakhs. We may have to give him charpoy, but it's all right with the flit commode, and he might have the pukka gen about that H.Q. flap. . . ."

Freely translated, that observation from one R.A.F. man to another would be: "Flight Sergeant, I expect an Army man, and don't be offended if he looks as if he has a lot of money. We may have to give him a bed, but it's all right with the flight commander, and he might have the real news about that headquarters panic."

Yes, these wars make words. The R.A.F. (Raff, if you please) are responsible for most of them. Young pilots never speak of Army men. They always speak of brown types. They themselves are always boys. The boy who sits around in the institute ogling the girls is a Canteen Cowboy or a NAAFI Romeo.

THEY are queerly respectful about their business. They never talk about flying, or use words like flip. Always it is a aviate.

And you never aviate a crate or a kite or any of these civilian slang words. You aviate an aircraft, a machine, or, more particularly, a Daffy (Defiant), a Wimpy (Wellington), a Hurrybox (Hurricane), a Spit (Spitfire), a Lizzie (Lysander), a Blenburger (Blenheim), Old Faithful (Anson), a Maggie (Miles Magister).

When you land, you hit the deck and, if you damage the plane in landing, you bend it. If you are tired of it all, you are browned off, and, to a lesser degree, a member of the Jabo Club. That means that you are Just About Browned Off.

The boys award their own crosses, in these three grades:

Wooden Cross—For bending one aircraft and staying alive.

Iron Cross—For bending two aircraft and staying alive.

Stone Cross—For bending three aircraft and not staying alive.

News is always gen, good or authentic news is pukka gen. The opposite is duff gen. If you have clearly understood your orders, you have them buttoned up. When you are all set to start you are teed up. You organise. You don't disapprove. You take a dim view.

HERE are some others:—

Snake Charmers—Band.

Spout—Gun barrel.

Pyrotechnic or rocket—A reprimand.

Prang—To damage an aircraft.

Ticketty Boo—Perfect.

Wad—A piece of NAAFI cake.

Groupie, Wingcom, Chiefy—group commander, wing-commander, flight sergeant.

Mae West—Life-saving jacket.

Brolly—Parachute.

Sprog—Recruit.

Binder—One who annoys.

Gone for a Burton—Died or killed.

Shaky Do—Nearly a serious accident.

Irons—Your knife, fork and spoon.

Drone—Air gunner.

Tear off a strip—Admonish.

ONE of the most useful words of the lot is kerdumpf. Originally it indicated the bumping noise made by an aircraft when it landed. Now it is an exclamation of surprise, or an ejaculation of emphatic agreement, a sneer—or almost anything.

You'll hear one of the boys maybe shooting a line (that is, telling a tall story). He will be received with a chorus of Kerdumpf. . . Kerdumpf . . . Kerdumpf . . . It is devastating.

Most of the slang words are affectionate. The padre is a devil dodger. An aircraft hand is an erk, tanks are roller skates, an Italian plane is an Eye-tie. You don't have several beers; you have a couple of jugs. The sea is the drink.

Sometimes the derivation is rather involved. For instance, Pilot Officer Dickensen was pronounced to look like W. C. Fields. From that you get Gracie Fields, and the pilot officer is now generally known as Gracie.

When all looks black and things are in a mess, everybody says Situation Normal and carries on with the job.

There's a peculiarly R.A.F. way of saying everything except Kamerad.

WOMEN IN WARTIME—NO. 2

Women in the New Britain

BY ELIZABETH ANDREWS

Welsh National Organiser for the Women's Section of the Labour Party.

WILL women win economic freedom in this war?

After the last war women won their political freedom.

They became M.Ps., Cabinet Ministers, aldermen sheriffs, mayors, council chairmen, county, urban and rural councillors, magistrates, lawyers, preachers.

They served on Government Commissions, and entered industries and professions hitherto closed to them.

Now we come to this war—and the future.

Many questions are asked by thinking women. What will happen to us when the war is over? What part will we play in the New Britain?

Shall we be driven out of industry and the professions or kept on to reduce men's wages, or to keep them out of employment?

When shall we get equal pay for equal work? When will women get economic freedom?

These questions need attention now.

Women are called to work of national importance that needs intelligence, skill and courage.

They are called from the kitchen to fill up every kind of position, and are expected to work well with little training.

Never Again!

No ban on married women in war-time! They are called upon to man our industries, to keep the home fires burning and to keep up the health and morale of their families.

Married women, doctors, nurses, teachers, are called back to the job for which they were trained but which they had to give up on marriage. The country had been all the poorer in peace-time because of this restriction.

It must never be imposed again.

The Government is prepared to establish day nurseries for toddlers and feeding centres for school children to help the women who go into industry.

These war-time measures could be extended and improved in peace-time.

Day nurseries, nursery schools and the feeding of school children are reforms that should have been made long ago.

Mothers and children would benefit in better health and development. We must press for these now and develop them after the war.

Women who have enjoyed economic freedom before marriage find it very difficult to be dependent on their husbands for every penny they need and spend.

Heavy Toll

In working-class homes, it is taken for granted that mother does all the sacrificing—she often prides herself on it—but the toll in ill-health is a heavy one.

Economic freedom for the mother in the home may appear to many far-fetched, but it demands some consideration.

It is time that the home maker had a square deal. Home making has been the Cinderella of all the industries.

The early Socialists believed in the economic freedom of woman. The war is helping to bring it about—temporarily. It is up to woman to keep it, permanently.

The best way to achieve this is for every woman in industry and the professions to join trade unions and stand alongside their men in the demand for better conditions generally.

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JUNKET TO TOKYO

THE so-called state visit to Japan of Mr Wang Ching-wei, No. 1 defector from the Government of China, closes one door and opens another. The Japanese nominee is being received by the Emperor of Japan, this in itself being tacit approval of Dr Honda's recent vehement utterances that a settlement of the China Incident must be sought through the medium of the Nanking administration and not by any other means. Dr Honda, Tokyo representative in Nanking, preceded Wang to Japan "to report" only a few weeks ago and it would now seem that Wang had demanded something absolutely final in Japanese recognition of his status to kill constantly recurring rumours of peace overtures to Chungking. The answer is in the visit to Tokyo. Once having presented him to their Emperor as the leader of China, the Japanese can hardly withdraw their patronage.

It is evident that the Japanese would have dearly liked to see Axis recognition of the Nanking Government before proceeding to this extreme stage; alternatively they would have preferred to have met a little encouragement from the feelers sent out to Chungking. However, the uncompromising attitude of General Chiang Kai-shek, which events have proved had the support of Chungking enabled Wang Ching-wei to demand extrication from the humiliating position into which he had been placed.

When not one reputable Chinese, let alone a foreign country, followed Japan's lead by giving him "face" Wang was strengthened by the knowledge that his fall would be insignificant compared with the loss in prestige that Japan would suffer. Accordingly he has the confidence to insist that Japan commit herself to sustain his star and the Tokyo "junket"—to use an appropriate American word—is the outcome.

It remains to be seen whether the Nanking leader will find his star in the ascendant there.

BRITISH YOUTH IN TWO WARS

By SIRDAR IKBAL ALI SHAH,

The well-known Muslim author

IF ONE COMPARES THE YOUTH OF BRITAIN during the years of the War of 1914-18 with the young people who are engaged in the struggle of to-day, certain marked differences become almost at once apparent, particularly to the Oriental mind. The greatest contrast, perhaps, is to be found in the spirit of excitement which prevailed almost throughout the former struggle, and the unruffled attitude to present events of the young manhood and womanhood of this island.

There was something almost vociferous about the manner in which the youth of Britain approached its ordeals in 1914. Indeed "The isle was full of noises", and patriotic sentiment ran high.

The music halls, the temples of this highly-strung and pugnacious cult, furnished songs so exuberantly martial as to surprise a foreigner, who could scarcely credit the cool and collected British people with such uproarious militancy.

The shrines of the dance were tumultuous, not only with the newly discovered American "jazz", but with that "whoopee" which made the fatalistic Oriental feel that Europe had found a new affinity with the spirit of Africa.

The English Miss, dropping her somewhat nun-like character and vestal bearing, appeared in a new veiling of sunset-hued garments and made free with cosmetics. The last sad rags of Victorianism seemed to be thrown to the wild winds of festival.

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Liquor in abundance heightened the feverishness of the proceedings. The cocktail with its deleterious mixture of vintages and spirits was certainly responsible for much of the rowdiness of the war years, as was the American habit of carrying a flask in the hip-pocket. These things made for a freedom of manner before unknown to the country.

Parents stormed and raved but saw that they could make no impression. The ferrule of authority had slipped from their grasp, and they solaced themselves with the formula that the country, and humanity along with it, had gone to the dogs. Elderly ladies muttered Apocalyptic warnings about "scarlet women" and "the mark of the Beast," and clergymen preached on the text: "Let us eat, let us drink, for to-morrow we die," and indicated the writing on the wall with dramatic forefingers.

The bare truth was, I think, that men on leave from the mud and blood of the trenches naturally craved for a relaxation as violent as that of the life-in-death they had been facing. The girls, always keenly studious of male moods, quickly sensed this prevailing spirit and found themselves in sympathy with it.

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But the aftermath was a sad one. In spite of whoopee and cocktails Britain won the war. It left in its train, however, scores of ruined careers. Thousands found themselves unable to put the brake on and continued the headlong follies of war-time in the piping times of peace. Broken lives and hearts strewed the paths of the post-war years. The legends of these were told in every household.

The youth of to-day heard whispers of how Uncle Bill or Aunt Ethel, debauched by their-war-time experiences, had never been able to get into step again, and shuddered at the thought of these "horrible examples."

This may explain to some extent why the present war is being waged in a spirit of such grim and sober strenuousness.

Of course one remarks quite a deal of reckless gaiety and even a certain incidence of folly, but that, I am sure we will all agree, is much more sporadic and incidental than general. However, the dread of past example by no means explains everything. In the early months of the war a certain attitude of "Well, if we must," was apparent in some quarters. Indeed, it was to be found in places up to the moment of the Franco-Belgian debacle.

After Dunkirk a marked change became apparent in the manner and bearing of our youth. Britain was fighting this war single-handed. It was going to be no picnic, but had resolved itself into a life-and-death struggle between the British Commonwealth, the natural upholder of human freedom, and a mob of gangster brigands whose sole intention was to make the world subservient to their will and hale it into bondage.

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The young people, with their lives before them, were thinking furiously.

They saw and saw steadily, that unless the world were made safe from the German menace any prospect of future happiness they might have would be slender enough.

The abominations perpetrated in Poland, Holland and Czechoslovakia, entered like iron into men's souls, and revealed what would happen to the people of Britain did the Nazis succeed in getting a footing there. To some extent it stopped the flow of gaiety at its source, though it did not quench the natural buoyancy of the British people in face of danger.

In any case, it diffused a deeper spirit of gravity not only through all classes, but particularly among the young men in the Army and the young women in the allied services.

For although the young folk of 1914-18 realised to the full that in Germany they were fighting a vicious and vengeful enemy, they were under the misapprehension that these poisonous qualities did not reside so much among the German people as among the military and their leaders, particularly the group which surrounded the Kaiser.

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This generation, on the contrary, is well aware that the homicidal spirit of Germany's leaders is fully endorsed by the German people at large, who are by nature sadistic and bloodthirsty, as well as animated by the ungenerous passions of envy and revenge.

In a word, the thought of the perilous position of humanity as a whole has assuredly reacted upon the youth of Britain, making them determined and watchful. And I think, too, the lessons of the past have been thoroughly taken to heart and their dangers fully recognised.

Britain will prevail, but it will be because of her sobriety, thoughtfulness and calm courage in the face of danger unexampled.

PRIVATE LIFE OF A PRIVATE: Another Chapter

It's a Lovely Weapon!

"EVERYBODY'S got light machine-guns," says Charlie the Chancer.

Hitch, the Wigan Sergeant, looks at him in a deceptively simple, ox-like way and says: "What d'you mean, 'Everybody's got light machine-guns?'"

"What I say, Sarnt. Ain't Jerry got 'em?"

"He has," says Sergeant Hitch.

"Well, I don't see what all the excitement is about this here Bren gun."

"It gives you a high rate of fire," comes the answer. "It's dead accurate. It's got no shock of recoil. A ten-year-old could fire it, take it to pieces, and put it together again.

"It's little and don't need any cover worth mentioning. What more do you want? Do you want it to go out and take prisoners, you silly Twillip?"

"No, I do not want it to sing and dance to me, Sarnt. But if *every*body's got 'em, what's the points? Where do they *get* us? We fire Brens at them: they fire Brens at us."

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"A lawyer," says Sergeant Hitch, sadly. "That's what you are. Listen. In the last war, did the Jerries run about naked with spears?"

"I couldn't say, Sarnt."

"What does this horrible Twidget mean, he couldn't say?"

"I wasn't there, Sarnt, and no more was you."

"All right. Do the Wops fight, with bows and arrers?"

"They might do," says Charlie the Chancer. "I never seen them."

"Well," says the imperturbable Hitch, "they don't. See? The Wops fight with the same weapons that we use. And are we beating the Wops?"

"Maybe we are."

"Ther's no maybe. We are. See? And what are we beating them with, do you think? Death-rays?"

"Maybe we are."

"Well we're not, see? We're beating 'em with the same weapons as they use. Why, Wavell, out there, he had nothing at all to start with: he just bluffed 'em at the beginning. Well, why are we beating the Wops? Because we're free men, see?

"The same goes for us against Jerry. So long as we've got the same sort of equipment as he's got, we can beat him all right because our heart's really in the fight.

"See, you wad-scoffing Twommet? So don't talk like a soppy great Snufge, you silly sausage. The Bren is a lovely weapon.

"Now put your fags out and let me hear you run over these groups of parts. You, name me the four groups."

"Butt group, body group, piston group, and barrel group," says Charlie.

"We ought to have death-rays," he adds.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty

"I didn't sleep a wink all night trying to think of new ways to show Phil that he means nothing at all to me!"

TANKS TAKE PART IN BIG DESERT BATTLE: WAVELL'S STRATEGY

(By "Reuter's" Chief Correspondent in Cairo)

CAIRO, JUNE 17.—ONE OF THE BIGGEST ENCOUNTERS WITH TANKS EVER SEEN TOOK PLACE ON SUNDAY ON THE ESCARPMENT NEAR HALFAYA (HELLFIRE) PASS ON THE EGYPTIAN - LIBYAN FRONTIER, ACCORDING TO REPORTS REACHING CAIRO TO-NIGHT.

RAISING CLOUDS OF SAND, THE TANKS AND OTHER ARMOURED FIGHTING VEHICLES CHARGED, ATTACKED, COUNTER-ATTACKED AND REFORMED IN SURPRISING MANOEUVRES.

British tanks made a wide sweeping movement south of Halfaya Pass, charged up the escarpment and debouched on the fighting ground in the triangle formed by Halfaya Pass, Sollum and Fort Capuzzo.

Reports of this operation, though it was of limited scope, have aroused great enthusiasm and excitement in Egypt because it shows firstly that General Sir Archibald Wavell, whose name has a magic ring for the Egyptians, is strong enough to conduct operations on two fronts simultaneously and secondly, that supplies and equipment, which have been steadily pouring in for months from Britain, America, India and Australia, must now be approaching a point of near adequacy.

At Fort Capuzzo

CAIRO, June 17 (UP).—General Headquarters announced that British troops have penetrated Libya as far as Fort Capuzzo.

Position At Capuzzo

CAIRO, June 17 (Reuter).—The fighting in the Sollum-Capuzzo-Halfaya triangle looks like developing into a regular battle. The British troops are driving back the Germans and Italians and have got as far as Capuzzo but not necessarily into it, according to military authorities here.

Germans and Italians are understood to be still at Sollum, but they are distinctly threatened with being cut off by the operations on the plain above Sollum. They are rushing up reinforcements from the Tobruk area, and it is difficult to prophesy the future course of the engagement.

Jockeying For Position

At the moment, gun carriers, armoured cars and mobile artillery taking part are jockeying for position in a bid to secure a useful jumping off ground in the "triangle."

This area is very useful to whoever holds it and inconvenient to the side that does not.

There has been little doing on the coast and plain near Sollum compared with the really hard fighting in progress on the escarpment above.

A Bandit's Ignominious Capture

KWANGCHOWWAN, June 17 (Wah Kiu Yat Po).—Fu Yung-mou, the notorious bandit chief of the Luichow Peninsula, has been caught in Kwangchowwan, it is officially announced.

Fu who was the head of the so-called "One Hundred Men Gang" had ravaged Luichow. He was forced to escape to Hoihow in Hainan before the Japanese invasion of the island as a result of the strict Chinese bandit suppression measures enforced in south-western Kwangtung.

With the fall of Hainan to the Japanese, Fu supported the Japanese and acted as their agent after secretly returning to Luichwo, where he smuggled wolfram and tung-oil with armed forces from the Chinese territory to the Japanese.

Only recently several of his gang were caught in Kwangchowwan. They were believed to be involved in a burglary case early this year.

Hide-Out

In order to resume his activities in the leased territory, Fu Yung-mou secretly leased a wooden cottage near the shore at Fort Bayard last month under a disguised name. He was involved in a dispute with the landlady of the house on June 11, which led to his arrest by the French Police who identified him by his ivory private seal bearing his own name and a notebook which were found in his possession.

Two new revolvers, some bullets, and a bundle of banknotes to the value of NC$3,000 were discovered in his luggage. He is said to have worn a bullet-proof waistcoat.

It is reported that in his notebook, the number of arms, the names of his gang, and his connection with the Japanese were clearly recorded.

Contention For Prisoner

Reliable quarters here understood that the Japanese tried to offer bail for his release and the Chinese authorities requested his handing over to the Government of Kwangtung in Shiukwan.

It is recalled that Fu Yung-mou, once offered his loyalty to the Chinese authorities, but it was later proved that his intention was false.

Rumania's New Restrictions

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BUCHAREST, June 17 (UP).—By special decree, use of all vehicles is forbidden without special authorisation, gasoline will be rationed and all unnecessary traffic of motor vehicles, even with permits, will be avoided. The city, last night, had the most complete blackout which has been enforced for several weeks.

GERMANS TO RETALIATE

Action Against U. S. Property

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, June 17 (UP).—The official news agency reports that the German Government, in connection with the freezing of German assets in America, has ordered "necessary measures" regarding the property of United States citizens in Germany which will become effective immediately.

It has not yet been revealed what form these measures will take, authorised quarters leaving unanswered the numerous questions such as whether it means outright confiscation or merely immobilisation.

Some observers suggest that the German Government has not yet completed drafting details of the action it intends to take, and that the term "necessary measures" should be taken to make it plain to the world that it would not accept the United States move without retaliation.

Large U.S. Holdings

BERLIN, June 17 (UP).—American-owned property in Germany is roughly estimated by neutral unofficial sources to be $450,000,000, the majority of which is held by a dozen large companies among which are the Ford Company, General Motors Corporation, International Harvester Cmpany, Otis Elevator Company, Eastman Kodak Company, Yale and Towne, Merganthaler Company and the Standard Oil Company.

It is pointed out that there are large holdings in the occupied territories, particularly France.

Standard Oil

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ROME, June 17 (Domei).—The Government has decreed, firstly, blocking all payments on private debts to the American Standard Company, and secondly, ordering private Italian firms to report all American credits against them within 20 days.

Checking Departures

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, June 17 (UP).—The Government has ordered all Customs and Immigration officials to "take the necessary steps" to prevent German nationals from leaving the United States without proper authority.

Subversive Character

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, June 17 (UP).—President Roosevelt at the press conference to-day said that the activities of the German Consuls were subversive in character and that the word subversive as he used it included a great many sins.

Sharp Protests

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, June 18 (UP).—The official news agency reports that the German Government made "sharp protests" to the United States Government against the request for the closure of German Consulates which it rejected as "unjustified and arbitrary," the United States' note charging that the ousted persons acted in an "unpermitted manner."

The action of the United States is described as a "treaty violation."

Capt Roosevelt Rounding Globe

LISBON, June 17 (Reuter).—Captain James Roosevelt, eldest son of the United States President, arrived here to-day ten days behind his schedule on his way back to Washington after travelling 30,000 miles round the globe.

Looking bronze and fit, he told "Reuter": "I have got a pretty accurate general picture of the war situation. Air power is a tremendous if not a dominating factor in this war."

Help For China

Captain Roosevelt, who was unable to discuss military problems, said: "There is a great demand for American materials in the east and although many problems remain unsolved as yet, one can be reasonably satisfied with the material help getting through. Nowhere is help more greatly appreciated than in China where I was impressed by the cheerful confidence of the people."

BOMBER FUND DONATIONS

Two substantial donations to the Bomber Fund have been received as follows: Messrs Linstead & Davis, $2,000. Mr C. Bernard Brown, $2,000. Both are second donations.

Guess At Italy-U.S. Break

Observers On Spot

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ROME, June 17 (UP).—A pool amongst the correspondents at Rome as to the probable date when there may be complete and official breaking off of relations between the United States and Italy showed that the majority opinion believed it would occur before the middle of July.

Mr Allan Raymond of the "New York Herald-Tribune" collects one dollar per guess.

The opinions ranged as follows: "United Press" (Reynolds Packard) June 27; "Associated Press" (George Jordon) June 29, (and Mr Raymond) July 10; "United Press" (Edward Laura) July 4; "Associated Press" (Arvig Johannesan) July 11; "United Press" (Eleanor Packard) July 13; "Associated Press" (Richard Massock) August 1 and "New York Times" (Herbert Matthews) August 2.

Robin Moor Depositions

Roosevelt To Study Survivors' Stories

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, June 17 (UP).—The depositions of the eleven survivors of the steamer Robin Moor who landed in Brazil arrived from Pernambuco by plane to-day, are being brought to the United States by a member of the United States Embassy, Mr Phillip Williams. They will be studied immediately by President Roosevelt for further details beyond the brief resume sent last week.

After conferring with Mr Sumner Welles, Under-Secretary of State, the President or Mr Welles may make a statement condemning the sinking in the strongest terms.

Meanwhile, the United States Consul at Capetown, Mr James Denby, has sent a sketchy report of the 35 other survivors who arrived on board an unidentified British craft. He is expected to file a more detailed report later and also take depositions from the survivors.

MENZIES ON MID EAST STRATEGY

CANBERRA, June 17 (Reuter).—Mr R. G. Menzies, the Australian Prime Minister, in a nation-wide broadcast reviewing the military position, said: "As Germany creeps along the European coast line, the voyage round the Cape supplying the Middle East becomes more tortuous and vulnerable.

"We must fight where and how the enemy compels us. We must stand and fight for the Middle East or else surrender the Mediterranean, extricate the Fleet, yield Iraq and Iran, open the gateway to India, expose French Africa to complete subjugation and make it easy for Spain to give bases in northwest Africa, thus adding a new and deadly menace to the Atlantic and to the whole contact of Britain with the Empire south and east of Suez.

"In the face of these perils, any limitation upon our efforts must go."

Naval Observer Missing

WASHINGTON, June 17 (UP).—The Navy Department to-day announced that Lieutenant Commander George Wilson Grove, Reserve Officer on active duty as naval observer in the Near East has been missing since June 13, during a flight with the R.A.F. over Iraq.

Shipping Losses Reports

LONDON, June 17 (UP).—It is officially announced that "as certain shipping losses continue to be received late in the month, the publication of the losses for the month of May must be postponed."

Hand Grenades Burst

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SHANGHAI, June 18 (UP).—Two hand grenades exploded in Hongkew Park this morning 150 yards from the Japanese naval landing party headquarters, critically injuring two Chinese.

Royal Navy Adjustments Since French Defection

LONDON, June 17 (British Wireless).—The First Lord of the Admiralty, Mr A. V. Alexander, speaking to the Royal Empire Society, revealed that after the defection of the French Fleet and the operations of the Navy in connection with the evacuation of Norway, Holland, Belgium and France, there were more than 70 destroyers undergoing repairs in dockyards due to enemy damage.

Ten or 11 destroyers were sunk and heavy casualties were suffered. The effect was that there was an immediate increase in the loss of merchant shipping tonnage, which was not surprising.

The first requirement was to place the damaged ships in service again. This was done in spite of the shipbuilding and repairing industry having been allowed to drop to too low a level in peace time. It meant the organisation of additional workers and the training of workers—in itself a large task.

Nevertheless, ships came out and though we did not build to the extent we desired, it was amazing how much we had done to stiffen the strength of the fleet in the succeeding months.

New Warships

In addition to new destroyers and cruisers, there had been added to the fleet tremendously important ships known as corvettes which we have now in very large numbers and "I hope to get in increasing numbers."

Mr Alexander added that the defection of the French Fleet required the drafting of ships engaged in escort duty in the Atlantic to the Mediterranean to take the place of casualties, which made the task of other escorting ships more difficult.

Nobody Hungry In U.K.

"I will say that despite any criticisms, the work was being done with such a measure of success as enabled all of us not to know the pangs of hunger," he said.

Dealing with the Battle of the Atlantic, Mr Alexander said that it was quite certain that in the last four months, improved organisation in the northwest approaches had increased the weight of attack on enemy submarines. This meant that the enemy could not stop there and take it but it had to go to other areas.

Regarding the menace from air attack, he pointed out that in the whole of the last war when the huge tonnage of 12,000,000 was sunk by enemy action, only 8,000 tons fell to air attack. To-day, we had to face air attack on our shipping not only in our own coastal waters but in the Mediterranean.

What the Royal Navy rejoiced to see was the extent to which our air force in the last few weeks was beginning to take toll of enemy shipping, of which we had already sunk or captured 3,200,000 tons since the war started.

Scientists Work On Air Defence

LONDON, June 17 (Reuter).—"Development of high promise in many directions" in the detection and destruction of enemy planes was mentioned by the Lord Privy Seal, Mr Clement Attlee, in answer to a question in the House of Commons to-day.

Mr Attlee was invited to amplify a recent statement by the Canadian Minister of Defence, Colonel J. L. Ralston, announcing Canadian help in this direction.

Mr Attlee said that thanks to the brilliant work of our scientists, great progress was made in devising means of helping the fighting services in locating and destroying the enemy.

Ingenious Apparatus

British industries were now turning out increasing quantities of ingenious apparatus, whose maintenance demands large numbers of skilled men, especially radio mechanics.

Training is being given by the fighting services, assisted by universities and technical colleges throughout the country.

Still there was need for more craftsmen and a broadcast appeal was being made to technical men overseas to come forward to join their skill and knowledge to that of our scientists.

Carol & Lupescu Heavily Guarded

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, June 17 (UP).—Travellers from Havana reported to-day that the guards around King Carol and Madame Lupescu have been doubled on account of reports that an attempt might be made on the ex-king's life.

Passengers who arrived on the liner Mexico said that the corridors of King Carol's hotel are full of detectives, and that the King and Madame Lupescu seldom go out late at night.

Improved Plane Services

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, June 17 (UP).—Mr Juan Trippe, President of the Pan American Airways to-day predicted that within two years there would be vastly improved trans-Atlantic planes carrying passengers between the United States and Britain on 12 hour schedules.

Mr Trippe arrived by plane to deliver the 29th Wilbur Wright Memorial lecture before the Royal Aeronautical Society.

PROSPECT OF LONG WAR

WASHINGTON, June 17 (Reuter).—"You face the prospect of a long war," the United States Secretary for War, Colonel Henry L. Stimson, told the Committee of the House of Representatives to-day, indicating that the war might well last more than four years.

He said that one of the benefits of the proposed St Lawrence Seaway, which would take four years to build, would be protection afforded to part of the route for munitions to England.

Must Prepare

"In my opinion," he declared, "it is necessary to prepare for a very long emergency. We all hope that it will be brief, but it is not safe to act on such a hope in the situation as it confronts us to-day."

There is a very strong chance, he concluded, "of the emergency lasting long enough for the United States to benefit by this seaway."

KREISLER WILL PLAY AGAIN

Discharged From Hospital

NEW YORK, June 17 (Reuter).—Fritz Kreisler, the famous violinist, was discharged from hospital to-day and his condition was described as good.

Audiences may expect once again to hear him play with all his matchless art, for his wife stated that he will play again "as he has always played."

Kreisler, who is 66, was knocked down by a motor car in New York seven weeks ago and was taken to hospital suffering from a fractured skull and internal injuries.

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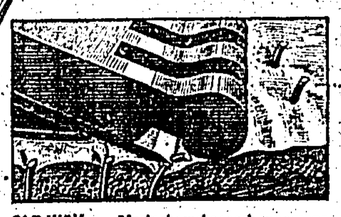

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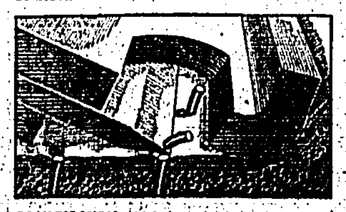

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Around The Courses

Useful Hints From Professionals' Play

Knowledge Of Local Rules Essential

Misconceptions At Kowloon

(By "Birdie")

AMERICA, at the moment, is undoubtedly the home of golf, and from the stars that brighten the otherwise black firmament of world golf come periodic items of news that are a boon to a writer. In this land where players are so numerous and so great it must be a simple tonic and lesson for the average golfer to wander around and watch the pros at play.

Mr Average Golfer, however, is usually a happy-go-lucky fellow—ever striving for better results (he wouldn't be a golfer otherwise) but not caring too particularly to personally prosecute over-zealous research into the subject of swing, rhythm etc., etc.

Let someone master the methods and demonstrate and Mr Average Golfer might be willing to do something about it. But for most people pros aren't as plentiful as all that nor are they available, so the second best is the study of books and pictures.

A golf journalist in America recently made an effort to epitomise the outstanding features of some of the best over there, and a summary of his summary was this.

Watch Ben Hogan's flick of the wrists in the making of his shots. It almost deceives the eye to follow, but it is the fount from which he draws his power. It is a direct parallel to boxing, to have the weight ready to throw into a punch. All the best are relaxed before hitting the ball.

On the putting green, study the line—even the way the grass is cut, for the ball can be deflected by blades of grass.

Watch the pro go into a sand trap. He does not do so blindly. He treads his way feeling the firmness of the ground, debating whether it is better to blast or take the ball cleanly out of the sand.

Watch Sam Snead drive. The muscles of his neck are like whipcords at the moment of impact, and though it looks all so easy, there is every ounce of the necessary weight and strength supplied to the shot.

Watch Byron Nelson hit a long iron. The ball travels low, almost level with the ground, and when it lands jumps to the left instead of the right. It is comparatively simple to put back-spin on the ball and make it jump to the right—if you can do the other you are nearer the top.

Gene Sarazen plays without wasted time or effort. If he is going to miss the ball he misses it quick, for a over-long concentration on what goes to make the shot invariably results in a too tense muscle somewhat or other to the detriment of the stroke.

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THERE can be no over-estimating the value of a knowledge of local rules. For quite some weeks, now, I have been playing at Kowloon in ignorance of two very important ones.

The first was an amendment to the Rules of Golf, No. 11, which deals with the removal of obstructions.

Rule 11 reads: "Any flag-stick, guide post, implement, vehicle, bridge, bridge planking, seat, hut, shelter or similar obstruction may be removed . . . A ball lying on or touching such an obstruction, or lying on or touching clothes, or ground under repair, or a drain cover, hydrant, hydrant cover, or exposed water pipe . . . may be lifted and dealt with without penalty.

"If the player's stroke be interfered with by any such obstruction which is immovable and which is within two clubs' lengths of his ball, the ball may be lifted and dropped . . . without penalty."

On the rifle ranges there are quite a number of exposed pipes, and concrete fixtures and on all previous occasions I had dealt with the ball as under the Rule 11. But the local rule at Kowloon is that the ball must be played where it lies—even in a concrete nullah!

There were reasons for this. Rule 11, apparently, had been so abused that the Committee formulated the local rule to avoid differences of opinions.

At the long 3rd, too, which is on the left of the main nullah, I had always thought that the ground immediately in front of the tee was out of bounds, for the ground to the left of the nullah is generally so described. It was not until it was pointed out that if that were so one would be *driving from out of bounds* that I realised the erroneous conception.

For some considerable distance along this nullah, there is a border of sand. A ball in the nullah is picked up and dropped under penalty of one stroke.

But it was quite a set-back the other day to be told by one of the older members of the Club that he was not sure that the ball should not be dropped in the sand.

It didnt seem reasonable that after having incurred a penalty through going in the dyke one must incur another by dropping the ball into the sand!

This, however, has been cleared up, for the stipulated distance of three clubs' lengths from the nullah is supposed to take one outside the area of the sand. Hence one is permitted to drop on the fairway.

Since then I have carefully conned the local rules, for, as in the case of Rule 11, they assume paramount importance.

Gadget to control the head. Perfected by Francis Marzolf, professional at the Wyandot Country Club, and Roy Kirk, a member, it guarantees to make one hit 'em straight.

It is simple, but it forces one to observe the cardinal principle of keeping one's head still and down, making the shoulders and head keep in the same plane of swing.

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Roy Kirk, one of the inventors, shows how it acts in control.

H. E. Morriss's Success Over Derby Distance

NEWBURY, June 8 (Reuter).—Annatom and Sunray, Derby runners, failed to gain places in the Coronation Cup over a mile and a half yesterday, the issue being fought out by Akerhalter 7-2, Hippius 15-8 and and Lovely Rim 11-4, who finished in that order.

Annatom ran ahead of Thoroughfare, another Derby candidate. Annatom took Thoroughfare's place in the Berkshire trial stakes over a mile and a half, which attracted 10 Derby candidates, and which was won by **Mr H. E. Morriss's Chateau La Rose, a half-brother by Chateau Bouscaut to Pasch and Paques, out of the mare Pasoo.**

No Outstanding Horse For 1941 Derby

India And Far East Interests

LONDON, June 17 (Reuter).—Though naturally lacking much of the peacetime glamour, Derby Day, whether in peace or war, is still Derby Day and the war will recede to the background for two minutes to-morrow when 21 colts clash in the supreme test for three-year-olds over a mile and a half at Newmarket for the second year in succession.

The runners are only a moderate lot and in the absence of any outstanding champion like Blue Peter or Bahram the race presents the most open appearance in years.

The race is full of interesting possibilities and the result will be eagerly awaited throughout the world, as usual, particularly in India and the Far East.

Indian Owners

Morogoro, owned by the Maharani Sahib of Kholapur, is splendidly bred and has sufficient form to suggest a great chance of becoming the third grey colt to win the turf's blue riband and enabling the owner to be the third woman to win in the 161 years history of the race.

Another fancied challenger is Annation, owned by Prince Alikhan, who is at present serving in the army in India. Further Indian interest will be centred in the outsider Camperdown, owned by the merchant, Sir Victor Sassoon.

Far East Interest

Far East racing enthusiasts will undoubtedly be hoping for Harry Morriss, Shanghai business man to repeat Manna's Derby victory in 1925, with Chateau la Rose, one of the only two horses in the race to have won over the Derby distance. The other is Suncastle, owned by Lord Portal, which is likely to be installed a last minute favourite.

Memories of the famous Ormonde, winner of the Derby, St Leger and Two Thousand Guineas in 1886 will be revived if the Duke of Westminster's Lambert Simnel wins. Ormonde made the Duke's father's colours famous. Lambert Simnel won the Two Thousand Guineas in convincing style but his stamina over a mile and a half is still an unknown quantity.

Probables And Final Call-Over

LONDON, June 17 (Reuter).—Probables and final call-over for the Substitute Derby which will be run to-morrow were:

Probables

Single Court (Cliff Richards), Royal Academy (Gethin), Cuerdley (Jones), Mazarin (Bartlam), Devonian (Perryman), Selim Hassan (Beary), Valdavian (Herbert), Starwort (Joe Taylor), Firoze Din (Stephenson), Annatom (Arthur Wragg), Morogoro (Harry Wragg), Owen Tudor (Nevett), Throughfare (Sam Wragg), Chateau La Rose (Bridgeland), Suncastle (Pat Beasley), Orthodox (Denis Smith), Ptolemy (Ephraim Smith), Camperdown (Lowrey), Lambert Simnel (Elliott), Sunny Island (Carey) and Fairy Prince (Lino).

Final Call-Over

5/1 (t & o) Lambert Simnel.
11/2 (t & o) Suncastle.
6/1 (t & o) Morogoro.
10/1 (o) Devonian, 21/2 (t).
100/9 (o) Chateau La Rose, 100/8 (t).
100/9 (o) Orthodox, 15/1 (t).
100/7 (o) Starwort.
100/6 (o) Throughfare.
18/1 (t & o) Ptolemy.
20/1 (t & o) Fairy Prince.
22/1 (t & o) Annatom.
22/1 (o) Camperdown.
25/1 (t & o) Cuerdley.
25/1 (o) Owen Tudor, 33/1 (t).
33/1 (t & o) Mazarin.
33/1 (o) Sunny Island.
40/1 (t & o) Royal Academy.
40/1 (o) Fettes.
66/1 (o) Valdavian and Selim Hassan.
66/1 (o) Single Court.
100/1 (o) Firoze Din.

Boxing Star Is Born

Harry Lazar Beats Dave Crowley On Points.

THE BIG FIGHT of the most ambitious war-time boxing promotion was a fiasco—but a boxing star was born.

Eric Boon, British lightweight champion, weighed nearly a stone over his best fighting weight for his contest with Kid Berg. He struck some heavy blows, but at least two that were illegitimate, and he was disqualified in the second round.

A New Star

BEFORE this disappointment the crowded Coliseum, whose ample stage as well as the auditorium was used for seating, saw 18-year-old Harry Lazar (Aldgate) defeat Dave Crowley (Clerkenwell) on points.

Lazar, in his first fight against a top-notcher, fulfilled all the expectations held of him.

Most impressive, apart from the youngster's snappy counter-punching and riding-out of a clinch, was the manner in which he held a master at in-fighting. Crowley, badly punched about in the second round, stood off all through the third round and was boxing on the retreat in the fourth.

Boon Debacle

USUALLY a slow starter, Boon began to throw his superfluous weight about from the gong and he had Berg on his knees in a few seconds. Berg looked worried but buckled into the fight with his fists flying as only Berg can make them fly. At the end of the round the fight held the promise of a real thriller.

Early in the second round a punch which appeared palpably low, caused Berg to bend and groan. The referee was unsighted, but only a minute passed before a similar blow ended the fight.

Grand Gala At V.R.C. To Aid War Funds

THE GRAND GALA in aid of the Bomber Fund and the British Fund for the Relief of Distress in China which was arranged tentatively for the end of this month between the Combined Chinese and the Combined V.R.C.-Y.M.C.A. has been definitely fixed for July 26.

This was decided at a meeting of representatives held last night.

The Chinese have appointed Mr Ho Siew-um, Chinese Bathing Club, as the convener and have decided that heats will be necessary before their team is selected.

Points will be awarded as follows.—Individual events 3, 2 and 1; relays or team events 3 and 0 and Water-polo 5 and 0. Two swimmers will represent each team in the individual events and one team in the relays.

A change has been made in the original programme. It has been decided to drop the 200 yards backstroke relay for teams of four and substitute a 400 yards relay for four men and four women.

SIGNALS UNBEATEN IN WATER-POLO TOURNAMENT

Signals maintained their unbeaten record in the water-polo tournament yesterday when they beat Navy A 3-1 in a thrilling match in the Army pool. Signals were full value for their win and Dignan, who is their leading goal-scorer, found the net twice as the result of breaking clear. McCann scored the third.

Navy were handicapped in that their forwards rarely took full advantage of opportunities.

Fine Display

Bennett, in goal, gave a grand display and was beaten only once, a backhander from Rutter passing just inside the post. Bedford and Morgan made a staunch pair of backs, and Hunt performed capably at centre-half, although he could have broken away on occasions.

Dignan, Allen and McCann were an elusive trio of forwards and Navy's defence had their work cut out in holding them in check.

Navy marked close in defence, but their full-backs, Cullum and Willis, were not quite fast enough off the mark and were consequently handicapped against the quicker breaking Signal forwards.

Rutter gave one of his best displays this season and together with Paul, who was head and shoulders above the others, was the backbone of the Navy.

Signals.—Bennett; Bedford, Morgan, Hunt; Dignan, Allen, McCann.

Navy A.—Birch; Cullum, Willis; Rutter; Carter, Paul, Halfyard.

Win For M'sex "B"

MIDDLESEX "B" deservedly triumphed 5-4 over 5th A.A. Regt. The latter were weakened by the absence of Page and their regular goal-keeper.

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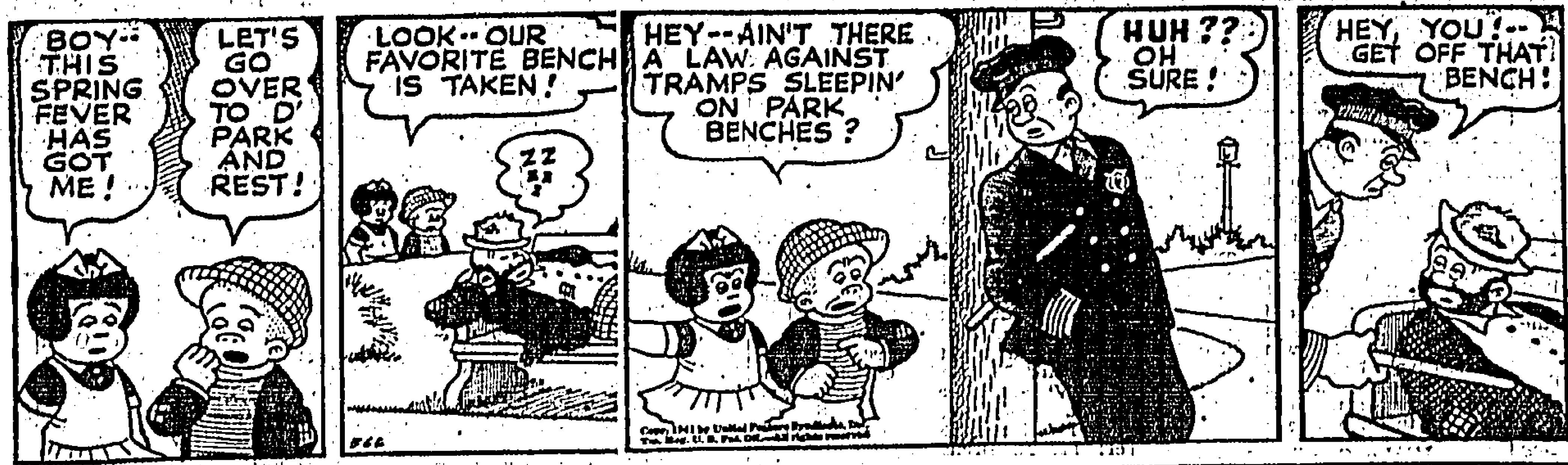

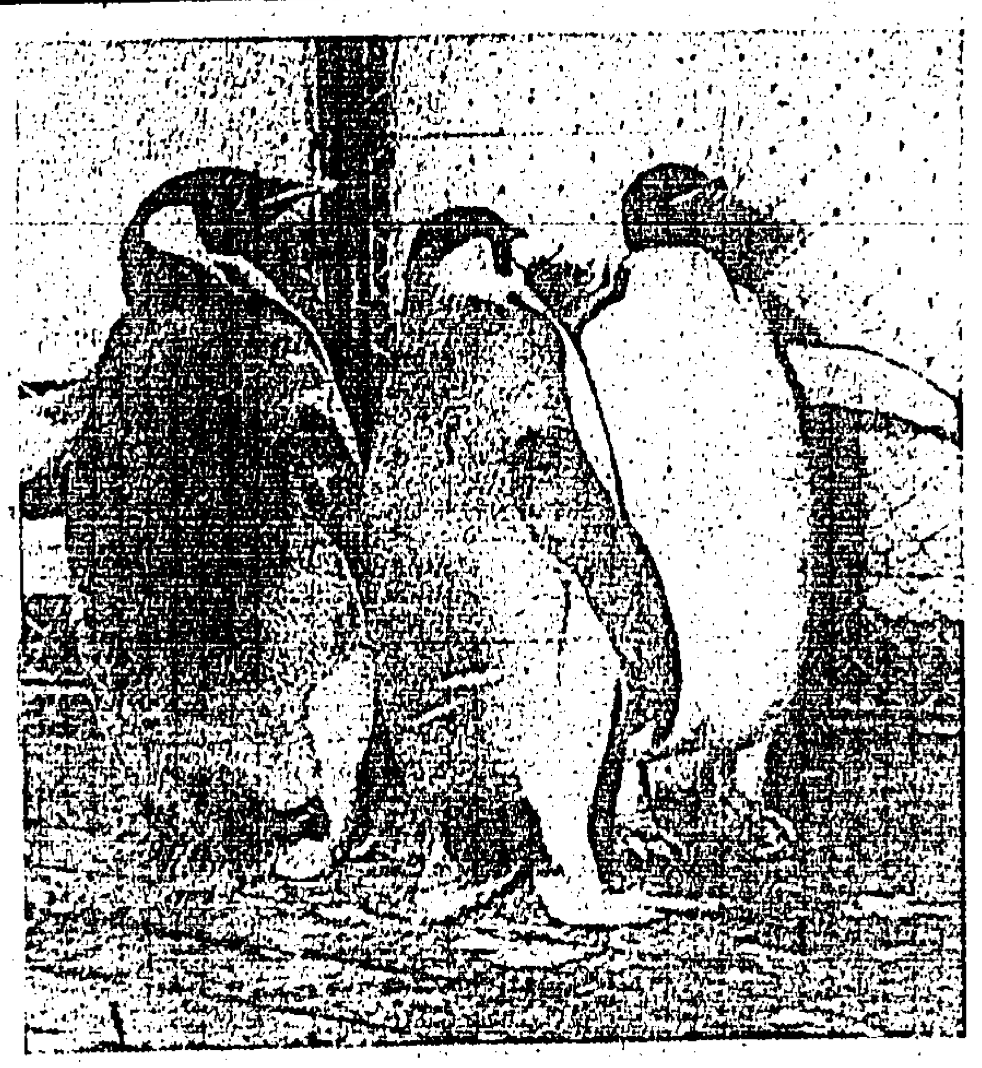

These are rare Emperor penguins, only members of the species in the United States. They were brought to New York by the Byrd expedition, which recently returned from the Antarctic. The penguins are so big that at a distance they are often mistaken for human beings.

Dr Kung Reviews Year's Financial Measures

CHUNGKING, June 17 (Central News). — Efforts of the Ministry of Finance to adapt the administration of currency and finance to wartime needs since the outbreak of Sino-Japanese hostilities in 1937 were reviewed by Dr H. H. Kung, Vice-President of Executive Yuan and Minister of Finance, in a speech at the opening ceremony of the Third National Financial Conference yesterday.

According to Dr Kung, the Ministry has conscientiously executed the following ten-point programme:

1. In regard to national expenditure strict economy has been practised. At the same time positive steps have been taken to push economic reconstruction and develop natural resources.

2. In regard to taxation reform, income tax, inheritance tax and wartime excess profit tax have been instituted in order to build up a sound, direct taxation system. Meanwhile, measures have been taken to institute a consumption tax and to readjust Customs, salt and Consolidated taxes with a view to increasing revenue.

3. In regard to the maintenance of the credit of Government bonds the Ministry made payments of interest and repayment of principal on both domestic and foreign loans when they fell due.

Legal Tender

4. In regard to strengthening the reserve of the *fa pi* (legal tender) the Ministry has in recent years purchased gold and silver to increase the cash reserve, centralised the control of foreign exchange and absorbed overseas Chinese remittances. Recently the British and United States Governments concluded with the Chinese Government the Sino-British and the Sino-American Currency Stabilisation Agreement and jointly organised the Currency Stabilisation Fund Board with a view to further enhancing the credit of the *fa pi*.

Banks Organised

5. In regard to strengthening the currency structure a Joint Board of the four Government banks (the Central Bank of China, the Bank of China, the Bank of Communication and the Farmers' Bank of China) has been organised. At the same time provisional regulation for the administration of banks in emergency time were enforced, prohibiting the banks from engaging in business enterprises, hoarding of commodities of trading in the name of agencies or trading or trust departments. Such control measures are intended to prevent profiteering which causes the rise of commodity prices.

6. In regard to the regulation of the supply and demand of commodities, increase of wartime production and maintenance of overseas markets, these have been the tasks undertaken severally by the Trade Commission and the Central Trust, while export trade has been handled mainly by the Foo Shing, Foo Hwa and National Tea Corporations. The products for export are chiefly tung oil, tin, bristles, raw silk and tea.

Local Administration

7. In regard to the supervision of local financial administration the Finance Ministry in recent years has urged the various provincial authorities to abolish within stated periods all taxes prejudicial to productive enterprises and to carry out local financial reforms.

8. In regard to the administration of finance in the war areas the Ministry has, in consideration of actual circumstances, adopted various suitable and practical measures to lighten the economic burden of the people and to forestall enemy economic encroachments.

9. In regard to the promotion of economy savings, positive steps have been taken to encourage the people to buy Government bonds and savings certificates. Simultaneously, foreign and overseas Chinese capital has been utilised to promote productive enterprises and develop natural resources.

10. In regard to personnel management and training the Ministry has established a Personnel Department.

Shortage Of Power In Shanghai

SHANGHAI, June 17 (International).—As the Shanghai Power Company has notified picture houses to curtail power by 75 per cent., movie theatres may have to close down.

An appeal is to be made by owners of picture houses to the Shanghai Municipal Council and the Shanghai Power Company not to enforce this decision, lest the public should be deprived of their main source of entertainment.

Exchange At A Glance

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T.T. Switzerland	102½
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BUYING	
4 m/s L/C London	1/3½
4 m/s D/P London	1/3⅝
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	25
4 m/s France	—
30 d/s India	84⅝
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02½
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	—

GEORGE CROSS RECIPIENT

Saved St Paul's

LONDON, June 17 (Reuter).—One of the men of the famous bomb disposal squad who saved St Paul's Cathedral last September by removing a one-ton high explosive delayed action bomb, buried in the southwest corner of the Cathedral, was decorated by the King with the George Cross at a recent investiture at Buckingham Palace.

He was Corporal George Wyllie, to whom fell the task of the actual discovery and removal of the bomb.

When the bomb was dug up, the removal squad, commanded by Lieutenant Robert Davis, who also received the George Cross, loaded the bomb on a lorry and drove it to Hackney Marshes some miles away, where it was exploded.

Was a Grocer

Corporal Wyllie is a bachelor of 31 years and was a grocer in Scotland until eight years ago. Before then he was working in an aeroplane factory in England.

As the King pinned the Cross on his tunic, a Court official read out an account of his deed "for conspicuous bravery...his untiring energy, courage and disregard for danger was an outstanding example to his comrades."

The King asked Wyllie how long it took to remove the bomb.

"Three days, sir," was the reply.

Yugo-Slavia's Protest On Record

LONDON, June 17 (Reuter).—The British Government in a Note to the Yugo-Slav Minister in London, places on record "their sense of indignation at the shameless manner in which Yugo-Slavia has been mutilated and parts of her territory subjected to foreign rule in gross violation of the true feelings of the Yugo-Slav people."

The British Government takes note of the Yugo-Slav protests at the dismemberment of the country by the Axis. It recalls the Yugo-Slav protests of May 14 and 28 calling attention to the illegal proclamation of "Independent Croatia," which represented a camouflaged annexation to Italy of Croatia and the "brutal dismemberment of the Slovene people."

The British note declares these acts by the German and Italian Government null and void, and states that the British Government will continue to support the Government of King Peter.

"Stray" Bombs On Chungking

SHANGHAI, June 17 (Reuter).—The bombing of foreign property at Chungking on Sunday by the Japanese planes was "purely accidental" a Japanese naval spokesman told foreign correspondents here to-day.

He said that he had learned from Headquarters of the Japanese Navy that some of the bombs went astray and officials were trying to find out the reason.

It is learned that among the buildings damaged were the offices of Colonel William Meyer, United States Military Attache, and the International Club. Bombs also fell near the United States Embassy and the U.S. gunboat Tutuila.

Fewer Workless

LONDON, June 17 (Reuter).—The unemployed in Britain numbered 200,321 on May 12, which is nearly half a million fewer than May 20 last year, and nearly 30,000 less than the previous month's figure.

British Labour Still Behind Mr Churchill

LONDON, June 17 (Reuter).—Support for continuation of the political party truce agreed to between the Conservative, Liberal and Labour Parties in Britain when Mr Winston Churchill became Premier was given to-day at the annual conference of the Amalgamated Engineering Union, whose membership of over 500,000 includes many of Britain's armament workers.

The Union's President, Mr Jack Tanner, said: "I do not see anyone who can get a greater majority of the people behind him than Mr Churchill. He is a man of outstanding character and can get the unity of the whole people of this country.

"The Labour Party is satisfied that the only way in which this war can be conducted under the present circumstances is by having this truce."

By 28 votes to 23, with one neutral, the conference defeated a resolution calling for the immediate repudiation of the political truce and of suspension of local and national elections.

The report of the Union's Executive Committee, which will be laid before the conference later this week, states: "Now is not the time for internecine conflicts. Our part is mainly to use all available powers on the munitions production field. We must continue the collaboration with the Government to this end."

The St John's University Alumni Association, Hongkong Branch, will hold its annual general meeting at the Chinese Merchants' Club, China Building, at 7.30 p.m., Friday, June 20.

Food Scarce In Rumania

ZURICH, June 17 (Reuter).—Reintroduction of black-outs in Bucharest is reported by the Budapest correspondent of the "Basler Nachrichten."

He adds: "Shortage of several important foodstuffs and other articles in common use is beginning to make itself felt in Bucharest."

The shortage, the correspondent says, involves meat, fats, oil, coffee, tea, rice, flour, soap, textiles and leather.

TROOPS LEAVE

Canton Will Be Replaced

SHIUKWAN, June 17 (International).—About five thousand Japanese troops left the Canton area late last week for Hainan Island. They were mostly infantry and cavalry units. The transports steamed out of Canton in broad daylight.

Well informed quarters here do not expect a southern movement yet.

CANADA'S WAR EFFORT

NEW YORK, June 17 (Reuter).—"With the enemy at her gates and approaching our shores, there will be time enough to check on the costs and credits when we all know whether the world is to be slave or free," said Mr W. L. Mackenzie King, the Canadian Prime Minister, to-night, referring to Britain's shortage of Canadian money which "we have told her not to worry about."

He was speaking in New York to associated Canadian organisations.

"Our people went to war for the sake of Canada but not for Canada alone. We went to war for the sake of Britain, for the sake of North American civilisation which we are proud to defend, and for the sake of that humanity which is above all nations. Against total war we have brought and shall bring our total effort."

"The value of Canadian shipments of food, raw materials and war equipment to Britain," he continued, "will, it is estimated, reach $1,500,000,000 in 1941.

"Apart from goods sent to Canada, Britain has needed already $1,000,000,000 to cover Canadian purchases, Britain has paid Canada about a quarter of this in gold, while Canada herself has supplied the remainder in Canadian dollars which Britain needed."

He predicted that the end of the war would find the British Commonwealth and the United States "on each other's side, united more closely than ever in one great endeavour to undo the wrongs which have been done to mankind."

Bond With America

PRINCETOWN, June 17 (Reuter).—"Canada and the United States shall for ever walk togther as the best of good neighbours" said the Canadian Prime Minister, Mr Mackenzie King in receiving an honorary degree at the Princetown University to-day.

Mr King is on a brief visit to the United States.

He told the graduating class, "between you and us is a community of thought and ideal and purpose. Our common disdain of fleeting things that will pass, and our common love for eternal things that will remain."

Cripps Sees King

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, June 17 (UP).—Sir Stafford Cripps, British Ambassador to Moscow, had a lengthy audience with the King to-day and it is understood that they discussed the Soviet situation.

The Prime Minister, Mr Winston Churchill, also had an audience with His Majesty.

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Tax Anomaly Rectified

LONDON, June 17 (Reuter).—The increase of value of benefices, contracted to be received tax-free, is to be counteracted by new proposals announced to-day by Sir Kingsley Wood, Chancellor of the Exchequer.

Certain lucky individuals, notably Company Directors and recipients of alimony are being paid tax-free. These individuals received, on the basis of £5,000 tax free, the same amount as those who, earning £60,000, were liable to tax.

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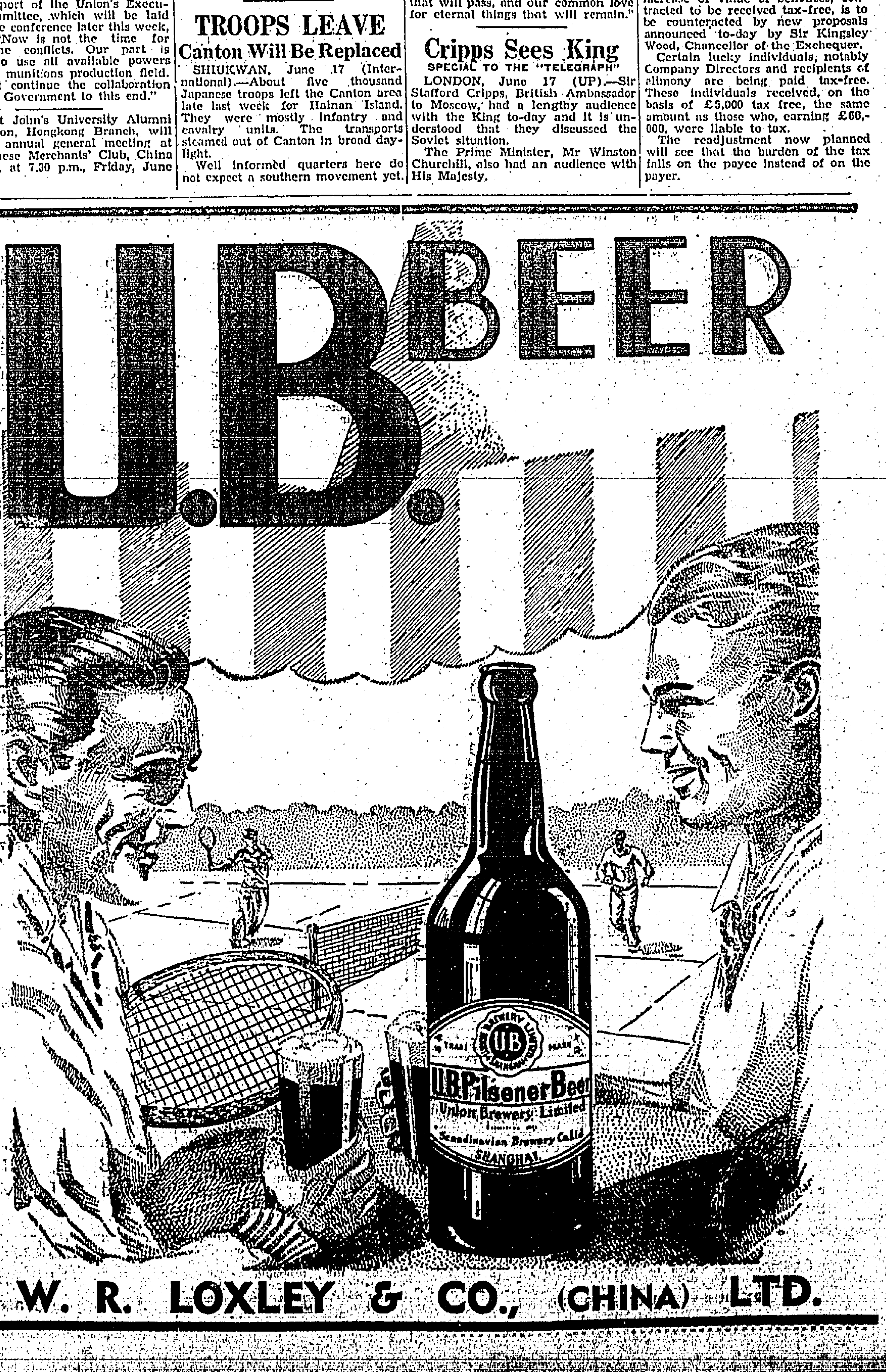

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Young Woman Creates Scene In Court

Alarmed at being sent to prison, while she was on bail, a 20-year-old married woman, Wan Siu-hung, created a great commotion at Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

The woman, refusing to go down to the cells, held tight to the rail of the dock and screamed, "I rather die than go to prison." After struggling for more than five minutes with an Indian and a Chinese constable, the woman was dragged down to the cells.

The incident occurred at Kowloon Magistracy this morning when the woman was sentenced to 14 days' hard labour by Mr H. C. Macnamara for assaulting an eight-year-old child, Pon Hn-tau at No. 157 Kweilin Street.

Child Assaulted

Inspector H. W. Fraser, of the S.C.A., stated that a woman, Ho Ching-sin, went to the Shamshuipo Police Station on June 14 and complained that a child had been assaulted by Defendant on June 12.

Enquiries showed that the child was Defendant's adopted son, while the informant was her common-law-wife.

The child was taken to hospital where bruises were found on his legs and body.

Defendant admitted that she had assaulted the child for walking too slowly on the street.

On hearing the remark made by Mr Macnamara that she had to be sent to prison, Defendant walked calmly into the dock. However, once in the dock she was alarmed and created a great commotion.

Defendant was on $40 bail.

Invisible Contact Lenses For Eyes

An interesting lecture on and demonstration of invisible contact lenses, in vogue in America and Europe in recent years, but something entirely new to Hongkong and the Orient, was given by Dr Renald Ching, eye specialist, before the Chinese Medical Association, Hongkong Branch, at the Chinese Merchants' Club yesterday.

According to the speaker, to-day there are thousands of people wearing contact lenses. It is said that the U.S. Navy requires its officers who have to have their sight aided, to wear them, and German parachute troops are using them.

Passing around a specimen of the contact lens, Dr Ching explained that they are made of transparent plastic, 60 per cent lighter than glass, and non-breakable. "The whole lens can be easily inserted or removed by oneself," he said. "Its presence is hardly felt, it causes no irritation, and it is invisible. Eighty five per cent of people wearing spectacles can wear them comfortably."

Dr Ching was wearing the invisible lenses during his talk.

Nazis Attempting To Wriggle Out Of It

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, June 17 (UP).—Authorised quarters to-day announced that the German reply has been despatched to Ireland answering the recent protest regarding the bombing of Dublin, which stated that a careful investigation failed in any way to confirm the fact that German planes were responsible.

LATE NEWS

Rightist Plot In Argentine

Buenos Aires, June 18 (Reuter).—The discovery of a Rightist plot was alleged by the Buenos Aires evening paper "Critica" on Tuesday.

Police investigations, the paper declared, have revealed that leading military persons and reactionary and Rightist intellectuals are involved.

Government circles are silent but the "Critica" insists that the situation is serious. The paper points to the recent increase in the number of Nazi and pro-Nazi publications which, under the guise of neutrality are frustrating Argentine friendship with Britain and support of America's policy.

Calling on the Government for energetic action the paper says, "The Government has isolated Argentina from her historic friendship, an attitude which suggests, although it is not so in reality, Argentine adhesion to the Nazi cause and the breaking of her traditional friendship.

Canadian-U.S.A. Unity

OTTAWA, June 17 (Reuter).—Canada and the United States have established joint committees of inquiry to "explore the possibilities of a greater degree of mutual economic co-operation" announced the Prime Minister's office to-night, where it was stated that "this joint enquiry marks one further step towards putting into effect the declaration of President Roosevelt and Mr Mackenzie King at Hyde Park on April 20."

The Committee will be called joint economic committees, and will study and report to their respective Governments on the possibilities of, firstly, effecting more economic efficiency and co-ordinated utilisation of the combined resources of the two countries in the production of defence requirements, secondly, in reducing the probable economic dislocation as a result of changes which the economies of each country is now undergoing.

Counter-Attacks By French

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French planes are hammering the Free French and British rear lines.

It is officially announced that a French destroyer was sunk off Sidon and that seven members of the crew were drowned during the aerial-naval battle. The destroyer was sunk during the course of the French attack off Beirut and Sidon at dawn on Monday against a British squadron of two cruisers and four destroyers, and following Sunday's aerial-naval battle in which the French claimed that they dispersed the British squadron which was shelling the Lebanese coast.

Vichy Communique

LONDON, June 17 (Reuter).—A Vichy communique on the Syrian operations, broadcast by the Lyons radio to-night, read:

"In the area situated between Jebel Druse and Mount Hermon as well as in the mountainous part of South Lebanon, counter-offensive operations continue.

"On the coast, British forces, deprived of the support of the Fleet which withdrew on the morning of June 16, have developed only slight activity.

"Our air force continued yesterday to attack with bombs the rear of the enemy despite very active anti-aircraft defences.

"Rayak and Homs districts were twice raided by the R.A.F. on Sunday night but there were no casualties or damage."

Blow In Centre

(BY "REUTER'S" CHIEF CORRESPONDENT IN CAIRO)

CAIRO, June 17.—Resistance by Vichy troops in Syria, which it was hoped could be avoided, has now developed and General Dentz's forces have struck a blow in the centre which has led to fighting.

It has, however, made no material change.

The latest dispatches received here to-day report that Merj Ayoum—claimed to have been taken by Vichy troops—is still in Allied hands.

The situation there is well in hand and Allied reserves are available.

Overlooking Damascus

On the coast, the Allies have made little progress beyond Sidon and the position there seems reasonably secure.

There is still fighting south of Damascus, where certain Vichy positions have been captured.

The Allies are now on the hills overlooking Damascus Plain and are making their way slowly down towards the city.

Syrians and Druses are generally friendly to the Allies.

Advance Slowed Down

VICHY, June 17 (UP).—The British offensive has been slowed down. All along the south coast the Australians have been deprived of the naval artillery support by a costly French aerial-naval operations and are unable to advance from Sidon where they are under heavy shelling by French artillery.

The loss of Merj Ayoum may show down the Australians' advance because it is necessary for the column advancing up the Litani valley to keep pace with the Australians along the coast to prevent the French from turning them. That is why the British rightfully attach considerable importance to the capture of Jezzine which is virtually a citadel on the heights at Tohomani Pass dominating the road to Sidon.

French military observers insisted to-night that the British cannot go much further without seriously being reinforced in men and materials because of the losses which have been heavy on both sides.

A derelict burning junk was sighted drifting in Lat. 22 degrees 22'N., Long. 115 degrees 37' E., (Approx) at 4 a.m. yesterday. The junk is considered dangerous to navigation.

Hongkong Photographic Society

Annual Meeting And Dinner

The Annual General Meeting and Dinner of the Photographic Society of Hongkong, held last evening at the Peacock Lounge, Cafe Wiseman, was a most successful function. Some fifty members and guests were present. During the business part of the evening, the following Officers are elected for the ensuing year: President: Mr Walter C. Clark, A.R.P.S.; Vice-President and Secretary: Mr R. A. Bates; Hon. Salon Secretary: Mr H. A. McKay; Hon. Treasurer: Mr H. Brailsford; Members of Council: Messrs. Francis Wu, A.R.P.S., W. J. Richards and Dr A. V. Greaves.

The retiring President, Dr A. V. Greaves, presided at the function. The walls of the Peacock Lounge were decorated with about 80 photographs fully representative of the work of the Society, making a really excellent show of photographic skill. In addition to the prize-winning pictures out of the 280 prints exhibited throughout the year at the Society's monthly meetings, the members' entries for June were shown, as well as the entries for the June "Special Subject," which was "Hands." Some most striking and skilful compositions were on view in all these classes.

After-Dinner Lecture

During the course of the evening Dr Greaves drew attention to the forthcoming First China International Salon of Photography which the Society is sponsoring to be held in December this year. Enquiries for entry forms have already been received from all over the world, and there is every promise that the Salon will provide an exhibition of photographic skill well worth seeing.

After dinner the assembled company was entertained to a lecture and show of lantern slides (in both colour and monochrome) by Professor Robertson, which was obviously very much appreciated.

The Photographic Society of Hongkong is a flourishing body, which has just weathered a difficult year with flying colours. It is a contributor to the *Camera Craft* competitions in America and at the latest count, headed the "Advanced" Section for small clubs with 16 points to the next best 5—a sufficiently large lead to make the Club's chance of winning this year's trophy well within the bounds of possibility.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffry Northcote, K.C.M.G., has just honoured the Society by becoming its Patron, which is an indication both of His Excellency's interest in the Society's activities as well as of its vitality. Another successful year is confidently expected under the Presidency of Mr Clark, who will be, as always, most ably and efficiently assisted by this year's Vice-President and Secretary, Mr. Robert Bates, one of its keenest and most hard-working members.

AERIAL ACTIVITY IN SYRIA, LIBYA

FROM PAGE ONE

tions in Syria and to maintain patrols over the supportung units. Our bombers carried out a successful raid on Royak, damaging the runway and aerodrome buildings and causing a large explosion.

"Australian aircraft machine-gunned and damaged a concentration of enemy mechanical transports near Quenieran.

"A number of Junkers 86's were intercepted off the coast by R.A.F. fighters on patrol over British ships, one of the enemy being shot down and a number of others damaged.

"From all these operations, nine of our aircraft are missing."

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